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All iPads Turned to Wood When Steve Jobs Resigned

A Spartanburg, S.C., woman says the iPad she bought from two men in a McDonald's parking lot turned out to be a block of wood painted black with an Apple logo. The men first said they were selling iPads for $300, then agreed to sell her one for $180 when she said that was all she had. The men gave her a closed FedEx box, and she didn't discover the con until she got home. (AP)

SMALL MIRACLES

'I Can Get a Free Drink With This Loyalty Card You Left!'

Police say an Oil City, Pa., couple took a lost wallet and used the cash and credits cards inside for a shopping spree, and then returned the wallet. Police say the two found the wallet Saturday near a post office, then went shopping at Wal-Mart and other stores. They told police they dropped the wallet back at the post office so the victim wouldn't lose all of her other cards. (AP)

DOG GIFTS

'See, Snowball? Daddy Does Love You. Take This Tooth.'

A thief ran off with an 8-foot-long whale tooth from a museum in Stavanger, Norway, on Wednesday. A museum official says the tooth was more than 100 years old and valued at about $9,300. The man took off with the tooth together with a big, white dog that he had left outside the museum before entering. (AP)

The Big Picture

ALBERTO SAIZ/AP

IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN: Loyal readers of this page know that nothing says "Fall is coming" like tomato fighting in Spain. So zip up your jackets: The annual "Tomatina" fiesta in Bunol went splat Wednesday. More than 40,000 people pelted each other with 120 tons of ripe tomatoes for the 66th time. (AP/EXPRESS)

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In Brief

MASCOUTAH, ILL.

Suspicious Package Sent To Ill. Air Force Base

Two workers for the U.S. Postal Service and an Air Force serviceman at the Scott Air Force Base developed respiratory or skin reactions Wednesday to something in the mail room, according to base commander Col. Michael Hornitschek. Officials and hazardous material specialists are investigating. (AP)

BOSTON

Official: Obama's Uncle Here Illegally Since 1992

Onyango Obama

A federal official says President Obama's uncle, an illegal immigrant charged with drunken driving in Massachusetts last week, was ordered by an immigration judge to leave the country almost two decades ago. An official speaking anonymously said a deportation order was issued against Onyango Obama in 1992. (AP)

SAN FRANCISCO

4 Workers Injured After Being Buried in Concrete

Four construction workers were injured, three seriously, after a barrier encasing wet concrete apparently collapsed Wednesday, sending the sludge spilling onto the men as they worked on a housing complex, authorities said. (AP)

HARRISBURG, PA.

Ex-House Speaker Pleads Guilty to Corruption

Ex-representative John M. Perzel and onetime speaker of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives pleaded guilty Wednesday to eight criminal charges stemming from a public corruption investigation, making him the highest-ranking state politician to be convicted in the four-and-a-half-year inquiry. (AP)

Swollen Rivers Fall in Northeast

Floodwaters recede; damage estimated at $7.2B in 8 states, D.C.

Killington, Vt.

Swollen rivers began falling Wednesday in much of the Northeast, easing the flooding that paralyzed parts of the region after Hurricane Irene and allowing emergency crews to reach all but one of the Vermont towns that had been cut off by floodwaters.

Receding water revealed more damage across the flood-scarred landscape. Repair estimates indicated that the storm would almost certainly rank among the nation's costliest natural disasters, despite packing a lighter punch than initially feared.

On Wednesday, the death toll mounted to at least 44 deaths in 13 states. An estimate released immediately after Irene by the consulting firm Kinetic Analysis Corp. put the damage at $7.2 billion in eight states and Washington, D.C.

HANS PENNINK/AP

A worker drains water from a home Wednesday in Prattsville, N.Y., revealing damage.

Even as rivers finally stopped rising in Vermont, New Jersey and Connecticut, many communities and farm areas remained flooded, and officials said complete estimates were nowhere in sight.

> **"We're going to do what we're supposed to do."**
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> — **FEMA CHIEF CRAIG FUGATE,** AFFIRMING ON CBS' "THE EARLY SHOW" ON WEDNESDAY THAT ASSISTANCE IN THE WAKE OF IRENE WILL PROCEED.

New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo estimated the damage to his state alone at $1 billion during a visit to Prattsville, a Catskills community where 600 homes were damaged. "Upstate New York paid a terrible, terrible price for this storm," Cuomo said.

Power outages persisted across the region, with some of the largest in Connecticut, where more than 360,000 homes and businesses were still in the dark Wednesday, and Virginia, where 242,000 customers had no lights. (AP)

Texas Wildfire Destroys 25 Homes

LM OTERO/AP

CHARRED APPLIANCES AND A FIREPLACE ARE ALL THAT REMAIN of a home Wednesday in Possum Kingdom Lake, Texas, the day after a wildfire swept through the area. The wildfire — one of several burning in Texas and Oklahoma — destroyed 25 homes in the upscale subdivision and turned the normally lush landscape into a blackened mess.

U.S.: No Specific Threat for 9/11 Anniversary

Washington

President Obama's homeland security and counterterrorism adviser says there's no specific or credible threat targeting the 10-year anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks on the U.S. But he says there are concerns that al-Qaeda or a terror-minded individual will see the anniversary as an opportunity to attack.

John Brennan said officials worry about lone actors operating under the radar who are more difficult for the intelligence community to discover.

Brennan says the FBI has done a good job in tracking down leads on individuals who have an extremist ideology that inspires them to commit violence. And he said the nation as a whole is much better about sharing intelligence than it was 10 years ago. (AP)

$2,200

The amount requested from campaign donations that Rep. Gabrielle Giffords would like to use on security improvements to her family's Houston home. The Federal Election Commission is expected to rule Thursday it's OK to use donations for the upgrades as a result of her work in Congress. (AP)

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Boehner Rebuffs Obama

Request to address Congress on jobs gets a rare rejection

Washington

In a sudden political shoving match, President Obama asked Congress to convene an extraordinary joint session next Wednesday to hear his much-anticipated proposals to put jobless Americans back to work but House Speaker John Boehner balked and told the president he ought to wait and speak a day later.

If Obama gets his way, his speech will upstage a Republican presidential debate in Simi Valley, Calif., scheduled for the same time. If Boehner prevails, the president's address could conflict with the opening game of the National Football League season.

There was no immediate resolution to the sparring match.

Obama asked Congress on Wednesday for a prime time slot on Sept. 7, giving him a grand stage for a televised address and putting him face to face with Republican lawmakers who have bitterly opposed his agenda and vow to vote down any new spending he might propose.

Usually, presidential requests to address Congress are routinely granted. But Boehner, in his formal reply, said that the House would not return until the day Obama wanted to speak and that logistical and parliamentary issues might be an obstacle. The House and the Senate each would have to adopt a resolution to allow a joint session for the president.

Boehner's letter did not mention the Republican debate on Wednesday or Thursday night's televised opening NFL games. But the political gamesmanship was clear.

White House spokesman Jay Carney said the overlapping was a coincidence.

"Obviously, one debate of many that's on one channel of many was not enough reason not to have the speech at the time that we decided to have it," Carney said. **JIM KUHNHENN (AP)**

Huntsman's Plan

Struggling in the polls, Republican presidential candidate Jon Huntsman is proposing sweeping tax changes and new trade agreements as the means to stimulate new jobs. The former Utah governor will become the first Republican contender to offer a detailed job-creation blueprint when he delivers the address Wednesday afternoon at Gilchrist Metal Fabricating in Hudson, N.H. **(AP)**

Study: U.S. Overindulging on Soda

Atlanta

Half of Americans drink a soda or sugary beverage each day — and some are downing a lot.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention released a report Wednesday that says one in 20 people drinks the equivalent of more than four cans of soda each day, even though health officials say sweetened beverages should be limited to less than half a can.

Sweetened drinks have been linked to the U.S. explosion in obesity and related medical problems, and health officials have been urging people to cut back for years. Some officials have proposed an extra soda tax and many schools have stopped selling soda.

But advocates say those efforts are not enough, and on Wednesday a coalition of 100 organizations announced a new push to prod companies to stop the sale of sugary drinks on their property or providing them at business meetings. **MIKE STOBBE (AP)**

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The maximum number of calories people should consume daily in the form of sugary drinks, according to healthy eating recommendations — less than half of a 12 oz. Coke. (AP)

Hearsay

"I would like to be the mayor, I don't know if I want to run for mayor."

— **ACTOR ALEC BALDWIN,** ON THE "LATE SHOW WITH DAVID LETTERMAN" TUESDAY, EXPLAINING THAT HE'D RATHER SPEND TIME WITH HIS NEW GIRLFRIEND THAN RUN FOR MAYOR OF NEW YORK CITY.

Even a Caveman Can Do It: Ancient humans fashioned hand axes, cleavers and picks much earlier than believed, U.S. and French researchers report in Thursday's issue of the journal Nature. Archaeologists at a site near Kenya's Lake Turkana calculated the age of the more advanced tools to be 1.76 million years. This suggests that prehistoric humans were involved in refined tool-making that required a higher level of thinking much earlier than thought. **(AP)**

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World

Gadhafi Elite Show Signs of Rifts

Dictator's sons offer clashing messages to Libyan opposition

Tripoli, Libya

Moammar Gadhafi's son Seif al-Islam vowed Wednesday to fight to the death, insisting no regime loyalists would surrender to the rebels, who are closing in on Gadhafi's final strongholds.

Seif al-Islam, Gadhafi's longtime heir-apparent, said he was speaking from the suburbs of Tripoli and insisted his father was fine.

"We are going to die in our land," he said in a statement broadcast on Syria's Al-Rai television, claiming he was speaking for loyalist leaders who had met in the Gadhafi bastion of Bani Walid. "No one is going to surrender."

His statement came shortly after a conflicting interview on Al-Arabiya television by a man claiming to be his brother, al-Saadi, who said he was ready to mediate talks with the rebels in order to bring the fighting to an end.

"The most important thing is to stop the bloodshed," al-Saadi told the network, claiming he was speaking on behalf of his father.

When asked about his brother's statements, Seif al-Islam said he was under pressure: "This means nothing."

The dueling audio statements suggest growing turmoil in Gadhafi's inner circle as the rebel forces pressed toward three of the loyalists' main strongholds, Gadhafi's hometown of Sirte and the towns of Bani Walid and Sabha. The rebels also say they are closing in on the elder Gadhafi, who has been on the run since rebels swept into the capital last week.

"The regime is dying," said rebel spokesman Abdel-Hafiz Ghoga, reacting to the brothers' statements. "Gadhafi's family is trying to find an exit. ... We won't hold negotiations with them over anything."

Top rebel officials say they have "a good idea" where Gadhafi is hiding, but haven't given any details.

Gadhafi's wife, Safiya; sons Mohammed and Hannibal; and daughter Aisha fled to Algeria on Monday. Rebel authorities have called on Algeria to send them back, saying they want Gadhafi and his family to be tried in Libya.

But international rights activists are urging the rebels to turn Gadhafi over to the International Criminal Court for trial. **(AP)**

FILIPPO MONTEFORTE/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

A convoy of rebel fighter waits on Wednesday along the road between opposition-held Misrata and Sirte, one of the few remaining regime strongholds in Libya.

"No dignified, honorable nation would accept an ultimatum from armed gangs."

—**MOUSSA IBRAHIM,** MOAMMAR GADHAFI'S CHIEF SPOKESMAN, ON WEDNESDAY REJECTING AN ULTIMATUM FROM LIBYAN REBELS DEMANDING REGIME LOYALISTS IN GADHAFI'S HOMETOWN OF SIRTE SURRENDER BY SATURDAY OR FACE AN ATTACK.

$2.17B

The amount of Libyan assets frozen in French banks that France asked the U.N. to unblock Wednesday, about one-fifth of the Libyan finances held in the country. **(AP)**

$50B

The estimated amount of money tied to Moammar Gadhafi and his allies believed to be stashed in banks around the world, French officials said Wednesday. **(AP)**

In Brief

ORANJESTAD, ARUBA

Court Extends Detention Of Suspect in Aruba

A judge in Aruba ruled Wednesday that officials can continue to detain a U.S. man while they investigate the presumed death of his travel companion. Gary V. Giordano has been held nearly a month since he reported that Robyn Gardner, 35, of Frederick, Md., disappeared after snorkeling. **(AP)**

PARIS

Sarzoky Denies Claims About Campaign Funds

French President Nicolas Sarkozy's office on Wednesday denied claims in a new book that he took undeclared campaign cash from Liliane Bettencourt, the heiress to the L'Oreal cosmetics fortune. The claims come as next year's presidential race heats up. The book, "Sarko Killed Me," comes out Thursday. **(AP)**

MOSCOW

Russian Officials Raid BP

Russian bailiffs searched BP's Moscow office Wednesday because of a minority shareholder's lawsuit, the company said, calling the action an illegal raid. **(AP)**

Hearsay

"Muslim nations ... need vigilance today. They should not allow enemies [to] confiscate the victories they've achieved."

—**AYATOLLAH ALI KHAMENEI,** IRAN'S TOP LEADER, ON WEDNESDAY WARNING THE ARAB WORLD NOT TO ALLOW WESTERN POWERS AND ISRAEL TO DOMINATE THE PRO-REFORM UPRISINGS THAT HAVE SWEPT THE REGION THIS YEAR.

A Lonely Vigil in Japan's Nuclear Wasteland

Tomioka, Japan

Vines creep across Tomioka's empty streets. Dead cows rot where they were left to starve in their pens. This once-thriving community of 16,000 people now has a population of one.

In this nuclear no man's land poisoned by the stricken Fukushima Dai-ichi plant, rice farmer Naoto Matsumura, 53, refuses to leave despite government orders.

Nearly six months after Japan's earthquake and tsunami, Matsumura believes he is the town's only inhabitant. "It's my responsibility to stay," he said. "And it is my right to be here."

He is an anomaly in a country where defying the government is rare and social consensus counts above everything else. Yet, his quiet civil disobedience speaks loudly of the dilemma facing the more than 100,000 "nuclear refugees."

Tokyo was quick to establish evacuation zones around the plant but has been slow to settle the refugees. "We are already being forgotten," Matsumura said.

He said he goes outside the zone once or twice a month for supplies. He tried to leave once, but that only increased his desire to return.

"I drove to a relative's house thinking I would stay there," Matsumura said. "But she wouldn't let me in the door, she was too afraid I was contaminated. Then I went to an evacuation center, but it was full. That was enough to convince me to come home."

Officials say some restrictions may be lifted by year's end. Beyond that, the future is a mystery.

"I am resolved to stay," he said. "I'm getting used to this life." **(AP)**

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Naoto Matsumura shunned the evacuation of Tomioka, Japan, with his dog, Aki.

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Gunman: Online Lies Bred Attack

Kosovo Albanian, 21, admits killing 2 U.S. troops in Germany

Frankfurt, Germany

A Kosovo Albanian man confessed Wednesday to killing two U.S. airmen at the Frankfurt airport this year, saying in emotional testimony at the opening of his trial that he had been influenced by radical Islamic propaganda online.

Arid Uka, 21, faces two counts of murder and also three counts of attempted murder for wounding two airmen and taking aim at a third before his gun jammed.

Germany has experienced scores of terrorist attacks, but the airport attack was the first attributed to an Islamic extremist.

No pleas are entered in the German system, though Uka confessed to the killings. He went on to urge other radical Muslims not to find inspiration in his attack, urging them not to be taken in by "lying propaganda" on the Internet.

Uka wept as he recounted the attack and watched the jihadist videos he said motivated him. "To this day, I try to understand what happened and why I did it ... but I don't understand," he said.

Uka refused to say where he obtained his pistol, which the judge said meant his confession was incomplete. (AP)

Backstory

On March 2, Arid Uka drove to the Frankfurt airport, where he spotted two U.S. servicemen who had just arrived, and followed them to their U.S. Air Force bus. He then opened fire, killing Senior Airman Nicholas J. Alden, 25, from South Carolina, and Airman 1st Class Zachary R. Cuddeback, 21, from Virginia, and wounding two others. (AP)

Recluses Rejoice Sony said Wednesday it will sell a head-mounted display that provides a 3-D theater of music videos, movies and games, targeting people who prefer solitary entertainment. Sony's $800 "HMZ personal 3-D viewer," left, is set to go on sale Nov. 11 in Japan, and is planned for release in the U.S. and Europe, perhaps in time for Christmas. Sony Corp. said the gadget delivers the equivalent of sitting in one of the best seats of a movie theater. (AP)

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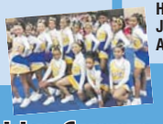

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Officials: Silver Line Deal Nears

Progress is made on money, design of project's final phase

Metro

Stakeholders involved in planning the Metro system's rail line to Dulles International Airport and Loudoun County said Tuesday that they are closer to an agreement on how to build and finance the second phase of the multibillion-dollar project.

The working group of about a dozen representatives from the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority; Metro; Fairfax and Loudoun counties; and the Virginia Department of Transportation met with U.S. Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood at his headquarters for an hour to discuss details of the second phase of the rail line that will stretch from Reston Town Center to Dulles Airport and Ashburn, Va.

JAHI CHIKWENDIU/TWP

Construction of the Silver Line over I-495 in April was part of the first phase of the Dulles rail project. The second phase is expected to cost billions, officials say.

Representatives declined to discuss specifics about the meeting. They would say only that progress had been made.

In July, LaHood and stakeholders agreed upon a framework for development. The deal was designed to trim hundreds of millions of dollars from the $3.5 billion cost of the second phase.

For LaHood's compromise to work, it will take support and money from the local, state and federal investors. Loudoun and Fairfax counties have agreed in principle to help pay for a rail station and parking garages to support the project. At this point, the group is hammering out details of the agreement.

The counties and the airports authority want federal funds, and the project is looking for the state of Virginia to put up money for the rail line. The project cleared a major hump when the airports authority reversed course this summer and supported a less expensive aboveground station for Dulles after months of debate.

LaHood has scheduled another meeting with those involved for Sept. 23. (THE WASHINGTON POST)

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Local

In Brief

OCEAN CITY, MD.

Comptroller Estimates Revenue Loss from Irene

Comptroller Peter Franchot's office estimates Maryland lost more than $2 million in revenue due to business lost in Ocean City because of Hurricane Irene last weekend. Franchot estimated the state lost about $1.75 million in sales tax revenue and $150,000 in withholding taxes after the evacuation. Officials also estimated a $60,000 loss in gas tax revenue, because weekend trips were canceled. Officials also say about $45,000 in toll revenue also was lost. **(AP)**

WASHINGTON

Possible Leaks Found In Washington Monument

The National Park Service says engineers sealed cracks in the Washington Monument from last week's earthquake ahead of Hurricane Irene but have discovered water inside that may indicate additional leaks. A spokeswoman said there was standing water on stairwells toward the top of the monument Monday when workers went back into the structure. **(AP)**

The Lotteries

Wednesday, August 31

District

Mid-day Lucky Numbers	6-6-2
Evening Lucky Numbers (Tues.)	5-2-2
Mid-day DC 4	3-9-6-6
Evening DC 4 (Tues.)	3-3-9-1
Mid-day D.C. Five	2-7-9-0-4
Evening D.C. Five (Tues.)	7-9-7-1-5

Maryland

Mid-day Pick 3	9-8-6
Evening Pick 3 (Wed.)	1-6-1
Mid-day Pick 4	8-7-2-7
Evening Pick 4 (Wed.)	3-6-9-3
Match 5 (Wed.)	1-19-23-35-39 (10)
Multi-Match (Wed.)	2-10-14-16-22-43

Virginia

Mid-day Pick 3	3-1-4
Evening Pick 3 (Wed.)	9-1-2
Mid-day Pick 4	2-7-3-7
Evening Pick 4 (Wed.)	0-2-0-3
Mid-day Cash 5	10-13-24-26-33
Evening Cash 5 (Wed.)	4-8-12-19-20
Win For Life (Wed.)	10-13-14-20-26-33 (23)

Multi-State Games

Mega Millions (Tues.)	2-22-25-28-50 (18)
Mega Ball	4X

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Region's Jobless Rate Goes Up

Data: Public sector not as reliable for employment anymore

Washington

Metropolitan Washington's public sector, long a dependable supplier of jobs even through the tumult of the recession, appears to be facing turmoil as the region tries to find its footing in a tentative recovery, according to Labor Department data released Wednesday.

The area's unemployment rate rose to 5.9 percent in July from 5.8 percent in June, according to the report. And the region posted a net loss of 11,100 government jobs from July 2010 to July 2011. The Labor Department released its seasonally adjusted unemployment numbers on Wednesday afternoon as part of an experiment to improve its data reporting system. Earlier Wednesday, the agency released the not-seasonally adjusted data, which reported a jobless rate of 6 percent for July, a decline from 6.3 percent the year before.

In June, analysts said, steep declines in government jobs partly reflected the loss of temporary U.S. Census employees, who ended their assignments in fall 2010. But this time, local governments are getting hit by a hiring slowdown. The federal government accounted for only 2,900 of the 11,100 jobs lost from July to July in the overall government category, with the rest coming mainly from local governments.

11,000

The number of government jobs that the region lost from July 2010 to July 2011, according to data released by the Labor Department Wednesday.

Cities and counties in the region found themselves in a more precarious financial situation because the federal stimulus money that bolstered their budgets in the last few years has run out, said David Robertson, executive director of the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments.

"Fairfax, Arlington and Prince George's are very affluent counties, but they have been in furloughs and [job] reductions for the past two to three years," Robertson said, adding that he expects them to face more pressure from impending federal spending reductions and the cleanup and repairs needed since Hurricane Irene. "I don't see how that will be a plus-plus for the national capital region," he said.

Facing budget woes this year, the District reduced the number of youth summer jobs to about 14,000 from 25,000 last year, according to the city's Department of Employment Services. **(THE WASHINGTON POST)**

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SARAH L. VOISIN/TWP

PEOPLE HANG OUT OUTSIDE the Regal Majestic 20 movie theater in Silver Spring last Friday night. Montgomery County is considering a teen curfew, and proponents say that downtown Silver Spring would benefit grandly from it. The proposed curfew would start at 11 p.m. on weekdays, midnight on weekends. It would apply to teens 17 and under. | **postlocal.com**

141K Remain Without Power In Mid-Atlantic

Washington

Utility companies in the mid-Atlantic region say about 165,000 customers are still without power as a result of Hurricane Irene.

Baltimore Gas and Electric was reporting the most outages, with about 142,739 around noon Wednesday. Most of those outages were in Baltimore and Anne Arundel counties, and Baltimore City.

Republican Delegate Pat McDonough wrote a letter Tuesday to the Maryland Public Service Commission, which oversees utilities in the state. He said the utility is not "storm ready."

Pepco said about 1,720 lacked power in Washington and its Maryland suburbs. About 920 of the outages were in Prince George's County. **(AP)**

Out-of-Town Activist: Bob Barker, the former "Price Is Right" host and fierce animal defender — "Have your pets spayed or neutered!" — has inserted himself into a debate in Rockville over controlling the city's booming deer population. The city is considering a "managed hunt," an option in which the city hunts and kills deer. Barker wrote in an open letter to city officials, "I help animals in every state of the union and other countries as well." **(THE WASHINGTON POST)**

DOJ Fights AT&T Merger

Deal would stifle the competition among wireless carriers, suit says

Washington

The Justice Department took the unusual step Wednesday to try to block AT&T's $39 billion purchase of T-Mobile USA, arguing that the proposed merger would lead to higher wireless prices, less innovation and fewer choices for consumers.

Now AT&T, the nation's No. 2 wireless carrier, and No. 4 T-Mobile are plotting a legal response to challenge federal regulators.

In its civil antitrust lawsuit, the Justice Department said the merger would stifle competition in the wireless industry. The deal, which is still under review at the Federal Communications Commission, would catapult AT&T past Verizon Wireless to become the nation's largest wireless carrier, leaving Sprint Nextel as a distant third-place player and certain to struggle.

AT&T quickly signaled that it won't abandon the transaction, leading to expectations of a fierce court battle.

AT&T has several incentives to take up a legal fight with regulators. In court, the burden is on the Justice Department — not AT&T — to show that the combination would harm competition. If the deal doesn't go through, the company will be forced to pay T-Mobile a $3 billion breakup fee and give it some wireless spectrum rights.

In a statement, T-Mobile's owner, the German company Deutsche Telekom, said it is disappointed by the Justice Department's action and "will join AT&T in defending the contemplated merger."

The companies could wage a strong defense in court.

Morgan Reed, executive director of the trade group, Association for Competitive Technology, said AT&T has at least one key fact on its side: Deutsche Telekom has said it does not plan to continue to invest in upgrading the T-Mobile network to deliver faster wireless. "We're at three nationwide wireless carriers no matter what," Reed noted.

University of Notre Dame law professor Joseph Bauer said he was "pleasantly surprised" by the Justice Department's challenge of the deal because it has become so rare for the antitrust regulators to block major mergers during the past decade.

Deputy Attorney General James Cole said the merger would result in "tens of millions of consumers all across the United States facing higher prices, fewer choices and lower-quality products for mobile wireless services."

T-Mobile has been an important source of competition, including through innovation and quality enhancements such as the roll-out of the first nationwide high-speed data network, according to Sharis Pozen, acting chief of Justice's antitrust division.

Federal Communications Commission chairman Julius Genachowski said the record before his agency "raises serious concerns about the impact of the proposed transaction on competition."

Although the FCC's separate review of the proposed merger is still ongoing, the agency has never approved a significant merger that is being challenged by the Justice Department. (AP)

Trends

Fleeing T-Mobile

The most valuable customers, who buy smartphones and contracts with lucrative data plans, are leaving T-Mobile the fastest as the iPhone lures customers to AT&T and Verizon. T-Mobile's profits dropped to their lowest level since 2004 in the last fiscal quarter. Customer flight could speed up more this fall, if Sprint starts selling the iPhone, as the Wall Street Journal has reported. That would make T-Mobile the only one of the four national carriers that doesn't sell Apple Inc.'s coveted phone. (AP)

Looking At the Merger

Some key dates in wireless carrier AT&T Inc.'s effort to buy T-Mobile USA, which was threatened Wednesday after the Justice Department filed suit to block it. (AP)

- **March 20, 2011:** AT&T says it is offering $39 billion in cash and stock to buy T-Mobile USA from German telecom company Deutsche Telekom AG. Such a combination would make it the largest cellphone company in the U.S.
- **March 28:** Sprint Nextel Corp., the third-largest wireless carrier in the U.S., urges the government to stop the deal, arguing it would create a duopoly market with AT&T and Verizon Wireless — the largest cell phone company — taking most customers.
- **April 7:** In response to industry consolidation, the Federal Communications Commission OKs rules that will require large wireless carriers to open their data networks to smaller regional carriers in areas where they don't have their own systems in place.
- **July 20:** The chairman of a Senate subcommittee on antitrust and consumer rights asks federal regulators to block the proposed deal. Sen. Herb Kohl, D-Wis., says it would result in increased wireless service prices and fewer choices for consumers.
- **Wednesday:** AT&T promises to bring 5,000 wireless call center jobs back to the country if regulators allow the deal to go through. The company says that doing so won't mean job cuts for call center employees who are already located in the U.S.
- **Wednesday:** The Justice Department files a lawsuit to halt the merger, arguing that it would raise prices for consumers and reduce their wireless choices. AT&T says that it will fight the lawsuit and asks for an expedited court hearing.

Sports

His Special Delivery

Danny Smith brings abundant energy to his role as Redskins special teams coach

The Redskins

"Geronimo!" comes the yell that can be heard across the practice field and deep into the swampy woods next to Redskins Park, signaling the start of a particular drill. "Geronimo!"

With all the energy of a little kid, with all the authority and saltiness of a drill sergeant, Danny Smith, the 58-year-old special teams coach, commands the turf for the precious 37 minutes or so he gets during a typical practice.

He's got a lot to teach over the course of a preseason, from standard techniques for blocking during punt returns to the bizarre-looking onside punt that might — just might — be needed after a safety someday. He is a man who operates only in high gear. No one can even imagine him trying to relax.

7:30 P.M.
Thu. | CSN

Smith has been with the Redskins since 2004, and this is his hardest week of the year. The team, which wraps up the preseason on Thursday against the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, must cut its roster to 53 by Saturday. He'll be in the meetings fighting for returners, cover guys, gunners and jammers — players who may or may not fit into the plans for the offense or defense.

When he loses his case, it's tough to break the news.

"It is hard because I do take it personally," he said. "The guy's out there that I respect, that busts his butt for me, that does what I ask him to do. I hate to see them go. And I do cry. I really cry. That's just the nature of the beast, and I don't like that part of it."

Smith is almost nerdy about his job. He combs the rule book looking for oddities — and there are many when it comes to special teams. He keeps meticulous notes. It's almost as if his job were a five-star Sudoku that he has to solve.

JOHN MCDONNELL/TWP

Redskins special teams coach Danny Smith, left, says he's most at ease on the field working with players such as Brandon Banks, right.

"Relax? Not in here," said linebacker Lorenzo Alexander, one of the Redskins' top special teams players. "He's always either in there watching film, walking around popping some gum, trying to figure out something, scheming. He's got all those notebooks in there. I mean, he's a workaholic."

Special teams remains an underappreciated part of the game. A punt? For many, that's a good chance to run to the kitchen and get a head start on the upcoming commercial break.

But football is all about field position, and that comes from special teams. If a 10-yard block-in-the-back penalty negates a 13-yard return, that's 23 yards lost — or "two first downs that an offense is fighting their butt off to get," Smith noted.

Smith enjoys the special teams experience because it's high-risk and high-reward — when compared to offense and defense.

"I like the idea of having one shot — we don't get a second down, a third down," he said. "On offense you could get sacked on the first play and be second-and-30, but you could still get a first down. We don't have that luxury, and I like that. I feel like I'm best, and it's my job to make my players best, when our backs are against the wall in critical situations. It just evolved in my nature, the intensity of it." **JOSEPH WHITE (AP)**

> **"I'm relaxed when I'm on the field, to be honest with you. Because I enjoy what I do. I don't have a lot of hobbies and things like that. ... I just love football and I love being around these players."**
>
> — **DANNY SMITH,** WHO TOLD THE AP HE HAS TWO SPEEDS: "FAST AND FASTER." NO ONE AT REDSKINS PARK SEEMS TO REMEMBER EVER SEEING THE SPECIAL TEAMS COACH RELAX.

3 Things to Watch

The Last Battle
It seems unlikely either Rex Grossman or John Beck could do much to win the quarterback job on Thursday, but a bad performance by either could cost him a shot to start the season opener against the New York Giants.

Injury Front
The Redskins got a harsh reminder about the dangers of the preseason last week when standout defensive lineman Jarvis Jenkins tore his ACL. He'll miss his entire rookie season. Coach Mike Shanahan will have to be careful about how long he keeps his crucial players in harm's way on Thursday.

Torain's Return
With Malcolm Kelly's release, Ryan Torain now carries the mantle of the most oft-injured Redskin. A wrist injury in training camp opened the door for Tim Hightower to run away with the starting running back job. Torain is finally healthy, and now he needs to prove he deserves playing time when the games start to count. **(EXPRESS)**

Livan Makes Pitch to Stay in D.C.

After hitting another milestone, veteran says he'll try new role

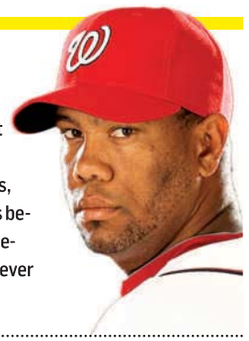
The Nationals

Livan Hernandez was 20 years old, earning $6 a month playing ball in Castro's Cuba, when he defected in a daring escape through Mexico in 1995.

Two years later, he was the World Series MVP as a rookie for the Florida Marlins. He's pitched 15 big-league seasons, been an All-Star twice and won the Silver Slugger award as the top hitting pitcher. He has made millions.

Mr. Adaptable

Livan Hernandez has pitched out of the bullpen, where he might land next year, once in a career that spans 474 games. Yet he's proven adaptable. He's bounced from the Marlins to the Giants to the Expos, Nationals, Diamondbacks, Rockies, Twins and Mets before returing the Nats. He's gone from a svelte flame-thrower to a pear-shaped 36-year-old soft-tosser, never losing his athleticism and gregarious charm. (D.T.)



On Tuesday, he threw his 50,000th career pitch during a seven-inning, two-run performance, besting the wild card-leading Atlanta Braves. After the game, he expressed his desire to return to the Nationals next season — as a long reliever.

"I'd love to stay here and pitch," Hernandez told reporters. "I know a lot of young guys are coming up. I can be a long reliever next year, I think. We've talked a little bit. We'll see what happens."

Since 1998, Hernandez has never pitched fewer than 180 innings in a season. He's thrown 170 innings this season, with more than a month remaining.

Now, though, he sees the writing on the wall. Stephen Strasburg, 23, and Jordan Zimmermann, 25, have already cracked the big leagues. Tom Milone, 24, and Brad Peacock, 23, are expected to debut in September. John Lannan, 26, and Chien-Ming Wang, 31, are also strong candidates for next year's rotation. So Hernandez is willing to adapt.

"It's not about money," he said. "I lived before with no money. It's about where you feel comfortable. ... You want to be a part of something that's really nice." **DEREK TURNER**

TV Lineup

REDSKINS (7:30 P.M., CSN, NBC4) The Redskins hope to avoid any serious injuries when closing out the preseason against the Tampa Bay Buccaneers.

RAVENS (MIDNIGHT, CSN) The Ravens and Falcons have at it in both teams' final exhibition game. (Tape-delay).

NATIONALS (7 P.M., MASN) The Nats wrap up their series against the Atlanta Braves.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL (8 P.M., ESPN AND FSN) Wisconsin and UNLV kick off the season and Memphis takes on Mississippi State.

TENNIS (1 P.M., 7 P.M., ESPN2) The U.S. Open moves to the second round in New York.

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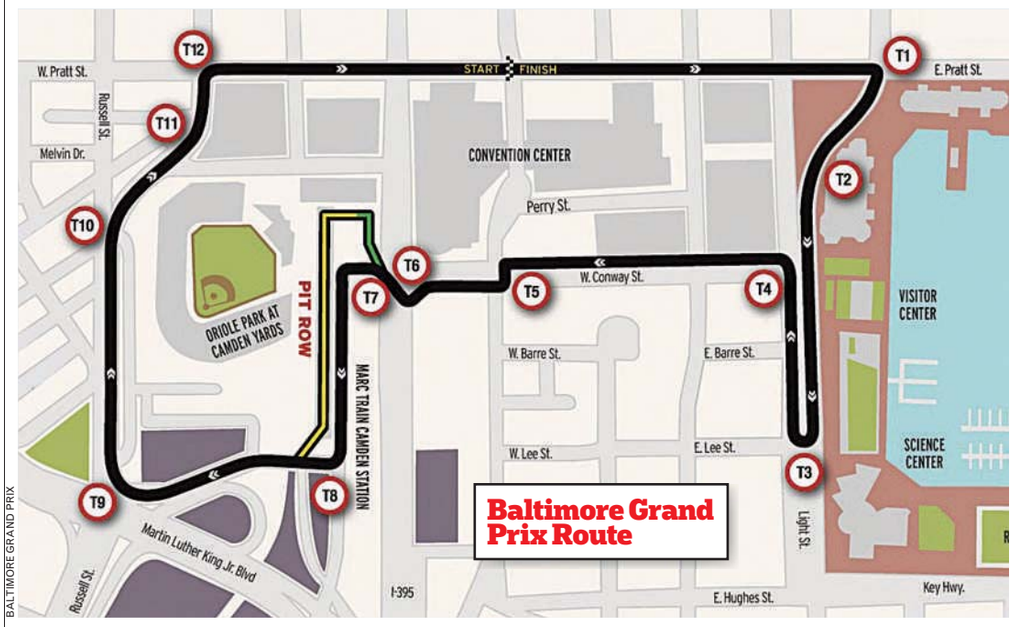

BALTIMORE GRAND PRIX

Off to the Races in Md.

Baltimore gears up to put on great show at first Grand Prix

Auto Racing

The inaugural Baltimore Grand Prix will take over Charm City's downtown this weekend, and it's just a short spin up I-295 for those in Washington with a need for speed.

Considering that D.C./Northern Virginia is one of the strongest demographics in terms of exotic car ownership in the country, second to Los Angeles, the three-day racing series will surely bring in a host of hot-rod mavens.

The Grand Prix is highlighted by the IZOD IndyCar race Sunday, which will be nationally televised on Versus, and the American Le Mans race Saturday, which will be carried on ABC. A racing doubleheader is a rarity for street races, making Baltimore a one-of-a-kind destination for motorsport events.

American Le Mans drivers race exotic cars made by many brands, such as Audi, Aston Martin, BMW, Chevrolet, Ferrari, Ford, Jaguar, Mazda, Panoz, Peugeot and Porsche. Better yet, the cars run on alternative fuels, making for a green racing experience.

"Initially, we just want to put on a great show for people," said Jay Davidson, president of Baltimore Racing Development and the Baltimore Grand Prix. "We're expecting 100,000 [people] over the three days, and we want people to walk away from the event thinking it was a great event and looking forward to coming back next year."

Baltimore has a contract with the Grand Prix to hold the race every year for five years. Road fixtures, community involvement and other preparations began more than two years ago. The event is expected to generate $50 million to $70 million in revenue as well as an invaluable amount of television time. Both of the headlined races are being picked up for broadcasts in more than 200 countries. **KRYSTINA LUCIDO**

Weekend's Events

In addition to the races, this weekend's "Festival of Speed" features a 5K run on the track, sponsored by Carefirst; go-karts; rock climbing walls; beach volleyball; and various concerts by more than 15 bands, many of them local: Can't Hang, All Mighty Senators, Jimmie's Chicken Shack and more. **K.L.**

Citing Syndrome, Venus Drops Out of U.S. Open

Tennis

Venus Williams pulled out of the U.S. Open shortly before her second-round match Wednesday, saying she was diagnosed with Sjogren's Syndrome, an autoimmune disease that causes fatigue and joint pain.

The 31-year-old American, the champion at Flushing Meadows in 2000 and 2001, played her first match in two months Monday, when she beat Vesna Dolonts 6-4, 6-3 in the first round.

Williams was supposed to face 22nd-seeded Sabine Lisicki on Wednesday.

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on the spot

AMY WALDMAN'S debut novel, "The Submission," presents a simple question with a complicated answer: What if the jury for New York City's 9/11 memorial unknowingly picked a design by a Muslim architect? Waldman, a former New York Times reporter, shines a light on how we remember one of our nation's greatest tragedies and how we treat each other in its aftermath.

Working from the premise, did you know where the novel would go?

I entered into it a little bit like how I used to write a newspaper story. I wanted to have all my facts assembled before I started writing, but I figured out that fiction did not work like that. I had to learn to let go and accept that I didn't know what's going to happen.

How did your journalism background inform the book?

I was on the metro desk of the Times during 9/11. It gave me a pretty visceral sense of what it was like to be in the city at that time. It gave me a broader sense — beyond my own personal experience — of how this was impacting individual lives.

Did you see yourself contributing to the existing body of 9/11 literature?

I didn't read those books. Some of that writing [such as John Updike's 2007 novel "Terrorist"] deals with trying to get into the minds of terrorists and things like that. I was going after something very different. The point for me is, what is it like to be Muslim and not a terrorist in the wake of 9/11?

PIETER M. VAN HATTEM

Amy Waldman

AUTHOR, 'THE SUBMISSION'

"The point for me is, what is it like to be Muslim and not a terrorist in the wake of 9/11?"

"The Submission" really isn't about 9/11, but about how we think and talk about it now. Were you specifically trying to avoid recounting the attacks themselves?

I wasn't interested in writing about that day. How we think about it in the aftermath is often elusive and contradictory, so that's what I wanted to explore instead of the direct experience. STEPHEN M. DEUSNER

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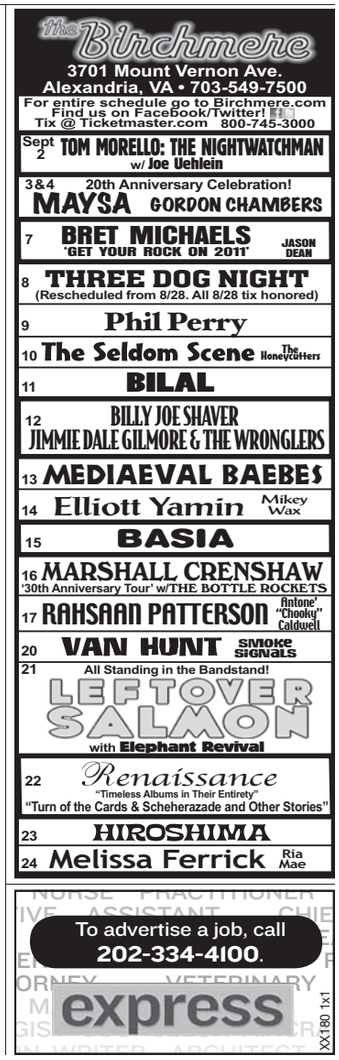

Out of Their Heads With Fear

A sheltered village loses its collective mind in 'The Hollow'

Theater

Most of the folktales we know, love and mine for their disturbing psychological implications come to us from the deep German woods of the Grimm brothers. Only a few American yarns so effectively tap into our culture's bedrock uneasiness. Perhaps the most famous involves a man without a head (who's sometimes on fire!) and a village called Sleepy Hollow.

As with all our most resonant legends, writers keep coming back to it. This time, Washington Irving's 1820 short story is told through song, in Signature Theatre's "The Hollow," by Matt Conner (music and lyrics) and Broadway actor Hunter Foster (book).

The world premiere, the latest from the Signature's American Musical Voices Project, is less about decapitations and more about how humans react when their lives and their way of life are threatened.

"We started talking about fear, what fear is and what fear causes people to do," Foster says. "I said, 'I want to make sure we're not just going to do a literal interpretation.' I wanted to create an allegory, not just a headless person running around chopping people's heads off."

CHRISTOPHER MUELLER

Ichabod (Sam Ludwig) falls for Hollow hottie Katrina (Whitney Bashor).

Backstory

In Washington Irving's "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow," schoolteacher Ichabod Crane was a superstitious ninny. Subsequent adaptations, including "The Hollow," portray him as a forward-thinking advocate of science. He always woos local cutie Katrina Van Tassel, though. F.Z.

"The Hollow" probes the psyches of 18th-century Sleepy Hollow residents as they face two unknowns: a ghostly, headless intruder and progressive thinker Ichabod Crane, who wants to teach kids about books other than the Bible.

The creative team took inspiration from Arthur Miller's "The Crucible," which used the Salem witch trials to skewer McCarthyism, and from the panic that swept the U.S. after Sept. 11, 2001.

"[The residents'] fear of Crane almost overtakes their fear of the Headless Horseman," Foster says. "The story gets into the Tea Party mentality of people being afraid and forming groups — we see how far fear can push a group of people." FIONA ZUBLIN (EXPRESS)

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Fabricated Fours

Abbey Road on the River invades National Harbor for a second round of tribute-band Beatlemania

Ex-hippies, indie kids, fans of "Baby Beatles" — almost everyone can agree on the Fab Four.

"Everybody's being raised on the Beatles' music," says Gary Jacob, creator of Abbey Road on the River, the world's largest festival of Beatles tribute bands, which comes to National Harbor this weekend. "Even if you like the Stones better, there's no arguing."

Jacob held the firs it Abbey Road on the River a decade ago in Cleveland, Ohio. Afterward, he knew he'd hit on something big.

"We got letters from people saying this event changed their life," he says. "At first, I was kind of cynical. But I realized they loved the Beatles so much that getting non-stop Beatles music was spiritually enriching."

The festival moved to Louisville, Ky., three years later (where it's still held each May) and added a second annual stop last September, at National Harbor. This year's program features five days of performances by 50 bands on nine stages. With acts from all over the world vying for slots, Jacob has a proven formula for picking the cream of the tribute-band crop.

"I look for the ones who can be exact replicators, but they're few and far between," he explains. "And I realized early on I didn't want a whole festival of look-alikes — it would be a bad Elvis convention. So, I started looking for phenomenal cover bands who weren't trying to look like them. I can pretty much tell when I hear them do 'Nowhere Man' or 'Help!' if they have the right harmonies."

Folks who bought advance tickets can bring along an under-21 fan for free, a move Jacob hopes brings the Beatles to a new generation.

"There's something about the Beatles' music, like Shakespeare, where it changes as the audience is listening to it," he says. "They didn't intend that. But their music continues to stay relevant." **RUDI GREENBERG & SHAUNA MILLER (EXPRESS)**

Gaylord National Hotel, 201 Waterfront St., National Harbor, Md.; Thu. & Fri., 3 p.m. to 2 a.m., Sat. & Sun., noon to 2 a.m., Mon., noon to 6 p.m., $35-$199.95; 301-965-2000, Abbeyroadontheriver.com.

If you like the early stuff, "A Hard Day's Night" & "Help!"

BritBeat

FRI.-SUN.

This Chicago quartet channels the Fab Four in their clean-cut first years — all sharp suits and shaggy bowl cuts. BritBeat, right, specializes in recreating performances from Beatlemania's early days, like the band's 1964 appearance on "The Ed Sullivan Show."

If you dig "the studio years," "Sgt. Pepper" through "Let it Be"

The Apple Scruffs

SAT. & SUN.

Baltimore's Apple Scruffs aren't much for costumes or wigs, but they're as obsessive as a tribute band can get when it comes to fidelity to the Beatles' "studio years." The post-"Revolver" late-'60s era saw the Beatles cease touring in favor of holing up to make a spate of technically innovative records that forever changed what rock music was supposed to sound like. The Apple Scruffs capture what a live show of those later tunes would have been like had the Beatles played together again.

If you're really more of a Stones fan:

The English Channel

FRI.-SUN.

Richmond band the English Channel has plenty of Beatles cred: They'll be playing 1967's "Magical Mystery Tour" in its entirety. But they'll also offer a little break from the weekend's mop-top mania, playing a set of songs from other British Invasion bands — the Rolling Stones, the Who, the Zombies and the Yardbirds.

Wait, who let the Monkees in?

Monkee Business • **MONDAY**

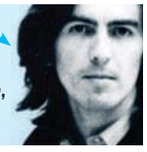
D.C.'s own Monkee Business is a tribute to "the Pre-Fab Four," aka the Monkees, left. Appearing at a Beatles fest is a pretty bold move, sort of like showing up at your best frenemy's wedding wearing white.

Meet the Beatles!

If you loved John, the smart one:

Drew Harrison • **FRI.-SUN.**

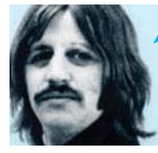
Drew Harrison (no relation to George) is "the Lennon vocalist" of long-running San Francisco Beatles tribute band the Sun Kings. Harrison makes a very convincing older John Lennon — though on close inspection, all of the Sun Kings look suspiciously Lennony. Harrison will perform an acoustic solo show at AROTR celebrating Lennon's solo work, which he regularly plays with his other tribute group, the Plastic Fauxno Band.



If you loved George, the quiet one:

Peter Conrad • **FRI.-SUN.**

Poor George, everyone overlooks you and your brooding, intense genius. But not Peter Conrad, member of the Traveling Beatleburys and keeper of the George Harrison fan club flame. Conrad will give a solo acoustic performance of George songs from his Beatle days, his solo career and his time as a Traveling Wilbury.



If You loved Ringo, the funny one:

Janneke van Heeswijk and Old Brown Shoe

FRI.-SUN. Beatlemania's reach is worldwide, as the guys from the Netherlands' Old Brown Shoe can attest. Well, four guys and "Ringa" — drummer Janneke van Heeswijk holds down the beat.

If you loved Paul, the cute one:

Gary Quinn • **FRI.-SUN.**

Leeds-based Gary Quinn is a veteran of the worldwide Beatles circuit, and likely does wear shoes as he traverses it (unlike Paul McCartney, whose barefoot turn on the cover of "Abbey Road" launched a thousand conspiracy theories). Quinn will perform songs from Paul's solo catalogue. We're hoping for some Wings.

Treat This Club Like an Adult

The Black Cat turns old enough to vote and celebrates with a hyper-local lineup

Music

The Black Cat is turning 18 — finally old enough to vote, join the Army and report for jury duty. But fear not — the well-loved local venue is holding tight to its adolescence with a birthday-bash show this weekend. The bill is hyper-local: Every act includes at least one Black Cat staffer, including owner Dante Ferrando's own punk cover band, Looters D.C.

Not surprisingly, the Black Cat's staff (about 40 people, from barkeeps to doormen to bookers) has its share of musicians. But Ferrando says the eight bands scheduled — including the Max Levine Ensemble, Garland of Hours and Oh So Peligroso — barely scratch the surface of the staff's musical output. "I wouldn't be surprised if there were another half-dozen [staff] bands that could play," he says.

MICHAEL WILLIAMSON/TWP

Dante Ferrando, center, talks with his father, Bob, outside the Black Cat in 1999. Ferrando opened the club in the fall of 1993.

The eight bands scheduled barely scratch the surface of the staff's musical output.

When Ferrando first opened the club in 1993, he set out to create a space to feature local bands as well as touring acts — a mission that continues today. "More than 50 percent of our calendar is local," he says. Most local bands play the smaller backstage downstairs, while the upstairs main stage hosts larger national acts. Ferrando would love to flip that trend: "That would be my ideal: to have a group of really diverse local bands that could all draw 500 people."

Ferrando says his own experiences in the D.C. punk group Gray Matter in the '80s and '90s still inform his business decisions at the Black Cat, which he tries to make as fan- and band-friendly as possible.

"There are some things you can do to make it more pleasant and make people feel welcome," he says. "Like having a locking bathroom, having coffee when they arrive."

Nearly two decades on, Ferrando's job involves "everything from ordering booze to fixing toilets" — and he's often too busy to even check out the local acts at the Black Cat. But these annual anniversary showcases give him a chance to catch up with his employees' musical pursuits.

"A lot of them are really good and also just this incredibly weird, diverse batch of music. I'm pretty proud of everybody." STEPHEN M. DEUSNER

● *Black Cat, 1811 14th St. NW; Fri., 8 p.m., $5; 877-725-8849, Blackcatdc.com. (U St.-Cardozo)*

Lessons From a Forgotten War

John Sayles' 'Amigo' explores a neglected U.S.-vs.-rebel conflict

Screen

John Sayles set his new movie, "Amigo," during the 1899-1902 Philippine-American War, a conflict between U.S. occupying forces and Filipino rebels ignited by the Spanish-American War.

This will be unfamiliar historical territory for many viewers. But when Colonel Hardacre (Chris Cooper) swings up on his horse and reminds his men, "We're supposed to be winning the hearts and minds of these people," you may wonder whether you've wandered into the Vietnam War, where that rallying cry was also heard. Or modern-day Iraq.

VARIANCE FILMS

Director John Sayles set "Amigo," his latest film, during a little-known U.S. war.

"I was stunned how many times I was seeing that phrase in the 1880s and 1890s," says Sayles, who will appear for a Q&A session at the West End Cinema on Friday. And "Amigo" shares more than a marketing slogan with recent U.S. entanglements overseas. This story, Sayles says, "could have happened in Nazi-occupied France or in France-occupied Nigeria."

The "amigo" of the title is Rafael (Filipino actor Joel Torre), a village "head man" who has to balance his loyalties to the Yanks, the Spanish the Yanks kicked out, and the rebels (led by his brother) who watch everything from the surrounding trees. "He has to wake up and make that decision: How much do I cooperate without collaborating, and how much can I resist without getting my family killed?"

"Amigo" also follows the U.S. contingent, mostly young men who joined the Army to see the world and got more than they bargained for. Sayles sees the Spanish-American War and its aftermath as a turning point for American troops, who were accustomed to conflicts with clear objectives and opponents. "These kids are wondering, 'Why are we here? I never heard of this place until they sent me here.'"

Sayles didn't want the audience to be similarly bewildered, so all non-English language in the film — including Chinese, Tagalog and Spanish — is subtitled. (Except Latin, used by a priest.) "Because you can read the subtitles, you can see things none of the characters in the movie can see. You're like somebody seeing a train wreck about to happen." KRISTEN PAGE-KIRBY (EXPRESS)

● *West End Cinema, 2301 M St. NW; opens Fri., Q&A Fri. at 7 p.m., $8-$11; 202-419-3456, Westendcinema.com.*

A Bubblegum Twist

Hunx and His Punx shake up the sounds and sentiments of 1960s girl groups

Music

DANIEL PITOUT

Hunx frontman Seth Bogart, front, plays trashed-up '60s pop with Erin Emslie, left, Amy Blaustein and Michelle Santamaria.

Hunx and His Punx seem unlikely characters to be championing the candy-sweet pop of '60s girl groups like the Ronettes and the Shangri-La's. They're not exactly as well-scrubbed as those girls, for one. But the Bay Area band's latest album, "Too Young to Be in Love," faithfully re-creates the innocence and longing of a musical era gone by, right down to dreamy warblings about teenage bad boys and nights on lovers' lane.

And, of course, frontman Seth Bogart (aka Hunx) isn't a girl. But what he lacks in a beehive 'do he makes up for in scuzzy punk-rock charm. With his trademark leather jacket, animal-print duds and coquettish falsetto, Bogart is equal parts Diana Ross, John Waters and Joey Ramone.

What? A grown man can't earnestly sing about prom dates and tunnels of love?

"I'm, like, forever a teenage girl in a way," Bogart explains. "No matter how hard I try not to be, that's just what I am. All I care about is boys and shopping."

Bogart started Hunx and His Punx in 2008 as his previous project, the exclamation point-obsessed queer-schlock act Gravy Train!!!!, was beginning to fizzle out. He began collaborating with ex-boyfriend Justin Champlin, of garage-rock outfit Nobunny, who was writing songs for a Runaways-inspired act he wanted to start. When Bogart heard the songs, he decided to snap them up for himself.

> **"I'm, like, forever a teenage girl in a way. ... That's just what I am. All I care about is boys and shopping."**
>
> — **SETH BOGART,** FRONTMAN OF HUNX AND HIS PUNX

"I just made him give them to me because they worked to turn them into gay songs," he says. Bogart then assembled his Punx, an all-female backing band featuring bassist Shannon Shaw, guitarist Michelle Santamaria, drummer Erin Emslie and guitarist-organist Amy Blaustein.

There's food for thought amid all the bubblegum, but Bogart says he's not making a grand statement about gender or sexuality. "I find it sad that people think it's a political, gender-bending thing, because, really, I'm just singing about guys," he says. "There's a million guys singing about girls, and no one makes a big deal of it." **KRISTINA GRAY**

● *Windup Space, 12 North Ave., Baltimore; Sun., 8 p.m., $10; 410-244-8855, Thewindupspace.com.*

The Start of Something Epic

The War on Drugs makes glitchy, grand anthems for a new era

Music

The War on Drugs' Adam Granduciel doesn't write choruses; he writes anthems. Just listen to his band's second album, "Slave Ambient," released last month. There's not a chorus within earshot.

"For some reason, I feel cheesy when I write a chorus," the 32-year-old singer and guitarist says. "If you're going to [use a chorus], it's got to be awesome, and I haven't gotten to that point yet."

Still, his songs — simple folk tunes layered in a dense fog of ambient noise — feel like the kind of epic, grandiose fare you'd sing along to in a stadium with a lighter in the air, choruses or not.

Of course, the Philadelphia-based group isn't ready for stadiums just yet — on Friday the band headlines the tiny Red Palace on H Street — but "Slave Ambient" is earning Granduciel comparisons to arena rock icons such as Bob Dylan, Bruce Springsteen and Tom Petty.

"It would be silly if I were to say, 'Oh, I don't really like those guys,'" Granduciel says. "If you're making guitar-based music now, you're somehow indebted to those guys. I grew up on [them]."

Granduciel spent the past few years recording "Slave Ambient" between tours. Most of the groundwork was laid at his home studio in Philadelphia, where he lives with his girlfriend, a pit bull and five cats. There, Granduciel and sometimes-band members Dave Hartley, Robbie Bennett and Mike Zanghi jammed for hours. Granduciel listened to the results and layered loops of ambient sound on top of the more formed songs that would make up the album.

GRAHAM TOLBERT

Adam Granduciel is averse to cheesy stuff, such as this soft-focus photo.

"I was spending a lot of time working on something, and I wasn't even sure what I was working on," he says.

Looks like he has a pretty good idea now. **RUDI GREENBERG (EXPRESS)**

● *Red Palace, 1210 H St. NE; with Caveman, Paperhaus; Fri., 9:30 p.m., $10; 202-399-3201, Redpalacedc.com.*

Side Projects

Musical Peers, Still in Sync

If the War on Drugs' "Slave Ambient" and Kurt Vile's "Smoke Ring on My Halo" often feel of the same mind, it's because they are: Adam Granduciel and Vile play on both albums. The Philadelphia-based folkies have played together since 2003 and have been members of each other's bands. Vile stopped touring with the War on Drugs in 2008, but Granduciel is still a member of Vile's band, the Violators. "I wasn't going to not do his thing just because he's not doing mine anymore," Granduciel says. "I like to think my stuff on "Smoke Ring" was irreplaceable just like his stuff on my [album] gives it identity." **R.G.**

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"APOLLO 18" opens Friday, purporting to tell the story of NASA's hidden moon mission. Going to the moon is cool, but you know what else is cool? People with the name "Apollo." K.P.K.

1 Apollo Creed
Playing one character across multiple films is always a challenge, as Carl Weathers demonstrated in "Rocky" I through IV. Especially if the character requires you to be in absolutely inhuman shape.

2 Apollonia Kotero
Her major role in Prince's 1984 film "Purple Rain" wasn't her big-screen debut — that came in the 1980 film "Sex Beach," which we haven't seen. Amazingly. Do you think it's on Netflix?

3 Nick Apollo Forte
In 1984's "Broadway Danny Rose," his one and only film, Forte nails the part of Lou Canova, a big-lug crooner who eventually dumps his D-list agent, played by Woody Allen. (Co-star Mia Farrow must have been taking notes.)

4 Apollonia
Michael Corleone's first wife, who he marries in Sicily. Italian actress Simonetta Stefanelli played the woman who should have checked the car before turning the key in the 1972 first "Godfather" film.

5 Apollo (the actual god)
"Percy Jackson & the Olympians: The Lightning Thief" (released in 2010) had too long of a title, but it's actually a pretty good movie. Played by actor Dimitri Lekkos, Apollo didn't do much other than stand around and look hot. But we'll take it.

In the Name of Justice

Director John Madden examines the blurry line between good and evil in 'The Debt'

Screen

FOCUS FEATURES

John Madden, left, is the boss of Jessica Chastain and Sam Worthington on the set of "The Debt," which opened Wednesday.

For nearly any filmmaker, working with both Helen Mirren and Jessica Chastain — one a living legend, the other teetering on the brink of major stardom — would be a dream, yet somewhat daunting. John Madden, who helmed "The Debt," which opened Wednesday, not only directed both women but had to make sure they gave comparable performances, because they play the same character.

Chastain portrays "The Debt's" 1960s version of Rachel Singer, a Mossad agent who travels to East Berlin to bring to justice a Nazi who performed medical "experiments" on Jews in concentration camps. Mirren plays the same character 30 years later, when the truth of what really happened on that mission threatens to come out.

"There is a sort of symbiosis [in that character] that I was definitely wanting if I could get it," said Madden (who may be best known for directing "Shakespeare in Love"). Chastain and Mirren met in preproduction and again for a short rehearsal period, and "Jessica just sort of channeled Helen at that point, and just sort of breathed in her oxygen and figured out how to seed some of Helen's behavior. But I didn't want them to be mired in a sort of mimicry."

> **"They are good people. ... It's entirely a ... morally admirable urge to make somebody face justice. ... The problem is when ... people bend and buckle."**
>
> **JOHN MADDEN,** DIRECTOR OF "THE DEBT"

The three young agents on the mission (Marton Csokas and Sam Worthington play Stefan and David, respectively; later, those two characters are played by Tom Wilkinson and Ciaran Hinds) spend much of their time in the movie in a damp, dark East Berlin safe house, and it's those scenes that Madden chose to shoot first. "That is the very molten core of the film, and we shot it right up front," he says. "We felt that was a good way to kind of bond the actors, to throw them straight into it."

Early in "The Debt," we realize that the story Rachel, Stefan and David bring home from Berlin isn't the entire truth, and the film is at least partially about what makes otherwise moral people slip when the stakes are high and an entire country is pulling for you. It's even more complex when each of the agents has a different motivation. Stefan is looking to bring glory to Israel; David lost his entire family in the Holocaust; and Rachel wants to prove herself during her first in-the-field mission.

"They are good people," says Madden. "In my mind, it's entirely a decent and proper and morally admirable urge to make somebody face justice for those crimes. The problem is when you're confronted with an experience of the intensity they are, people bend and buckle."

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UNIVERSAL FILMS

"You guys wanna go see a coming-of-age movie about kids who wanna go see a dead body? Wil Wheaton's in it!"

'Stand' in the Place Where You Are

Did you know that Wil Wheaton is awesome? Seriously, his blog is so funny, and his book "Just a Geek" is a fun read. Reacquaint yourself with Wesley Crusher this weekend at the AFI Silver, when it screens "Stand by Me" as part of its series of '80s movies. If you haven't seen the movie since your last sixth-grade sleepover, you really should revisit it as an adult. Not only does it hold up well, but watching it now that you pay your own mortgage and are on the train at ohmygod o'clock to get to work means you'll see shades that you probably missed when you were just screaming with laughter at the barf-o-rama scene — and rewinding it and watching it again, because when you're 12, puke is funny. ▶ *AFI Silver, 8633 Colesville Road, Silver Spring; Fri. and Sun., $8-$11; 301-495-3720, Afi.com/silver for times. (Silver Spring)*

1 Steady Gig

The Hold Steady makes angsty rock for grown-ups — smart music that manages to detail all the things that are wrong with the universe without devolving into the realm of, "I'm just a teenage dirt bag, baby." It plays here about twice a year, but if you've never see the group, start trolling Craigslist for tickets now. ➜ *9:30 Club, 815 V St. NW; Thu., 7 p.m., sold out; 202-265-0930, 930.com. (U St.-Cardozo)*

2 Bearing Witness

Nearly 10 years have passed since tragedy cracked the clear blue morning of Sept. 11, 2001. To mark this somber anniversary, the Smithsonian will display personal items recovered from the World Trade Center and Pentagon sites: a beeper belonging to an employee of Windows on the World, a name tag worn by a rescue officer, photos snapped by survivors fleeing the World Trade Center. ➜ *National Museum of American History, 1400 Constitution Ave. NW; through Sept. 11, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., free; 202-633-1000, Americanhistory.si.edu. (Smithsonian)*

3 Departing Declaration

Tourists (and Nicolas Cage) go to the National Archives to view the Declaration of Independence, but those in the know realize they can see one of the original facsimiles by William J. Stone on display at the National Gallery of Art — or they can until Monday, after which it will be returned to a private collection. Chop, chop! ➜ *National Gallery of Art, 4th Street and Constitution Avenue NW; through Mon., free; 202-737-4215, Nga.gov. (Archives)*

5 School's In

The party people at Brightest Young Things are closing out another season of sloshy pool-side bashes with a "Back to School"-themed shindig. Get a free burger with your admission fee, dance to tunes spun by DJ Dredd, and play in a pingpong tournament. If only school had included any of those things. ➜ *Capitol Skyline Hotel, 10 I St. SW; Sat., noon, $15; Brightestyoungthings.com. (Navy Yard)*

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4 Gold Dust Woman

Stevie Nicks appeared on "Good Morning America" last week and intimated that Fleetwood Mac may put together a reunion tour and a new album. And the entire Internet FREAKED OUT and caught on fire — metaphorically. Seriously, though, Nicks may dress like your crazy aunt, but she wrote all your favorite FMac songs. Show some respect! ➜ *Jiffy Lube Live, 7800 Cellar Door Drive, Bristow, Va.; Sat., 8 p.m., $25-$181; 703-754-6400, Livenation.com.*

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THURSDAY

Black Cat: Guttermouth, the New Threat, Bumpin Uglies, $13.
Blues Alley: Mose Allison, $25.
Comet Ping Pong: Elsinore, Thomas Wyre, Parachute Musical.
DAR Constitution Hall: The Script, Hot Chelle Rae, 7:30 p.m., $36.
DC9: Lucky Dub, the New Media, Lush Farm, $8.
Iota: The Baseball Project, the Minus 5, Steve Wynn, $20.
Jammin' Java: Atlas, Harlen Simple, Go, $10 in advance, $13 at the door.
Kennedy Center/Millennium Stage: Eric Lindell, roots rocker, 6 p.m., free.
Merriweather Post Pavilion: Virgin Mobile FreeFest, TBD.
Rams Head Tavern: Bob Baldwin & Marion Meadows, $35.
Rock & Roll Hotel: Satori Trova, IMU URI, A Bit Cagey, $10.
Twins Jazz: Amy Bormet, $10.
U Street Music Hall: 16Bit, Bassdread, Encryption, Throdown, $13.
Wolf Trap/Filene Center: "Peter Pan," 2 p.m. and 8 p.m., in house, $40-$80; lawn, $20-$25.

FRIDAY

9:30 Club: Umphrey's McGee, $25.
Birchmere: Tom Morello: the Nightwatchman, $25.
Black Cat: Black Cat 18th Anniversary Party, 8 p.m., $5; "Party Lights," 9:30 p.m., $5.
Iota: Last Train Home, $14.
Jammin' Java: "SNRG Fireday V," 8 p.m., $10 in advance, $13 at the door.
Jaxx: Fuel, $20 in advance, $25 at the door.
Kennedy Center/Millennium Stage: Salut Salon, 6 p.m., free.
Rams Head Tavern: Marcus Johnson, $25.
Red Palace: The War on Drugs, Caveman, Paperhaus, 9:30 p.m., $10; DJ the Metaphysical, 10 p.m., free.
Rock & Roll Hotel: Paul Pfau and the Dimestore Band, the Chris Collat Band, 8 p.m., $12; "Zombie Beach Party," 9:30 p.m., free.
State Theatre: Super Bob, Feed God Cabbage, One City Mile, and Traverser,

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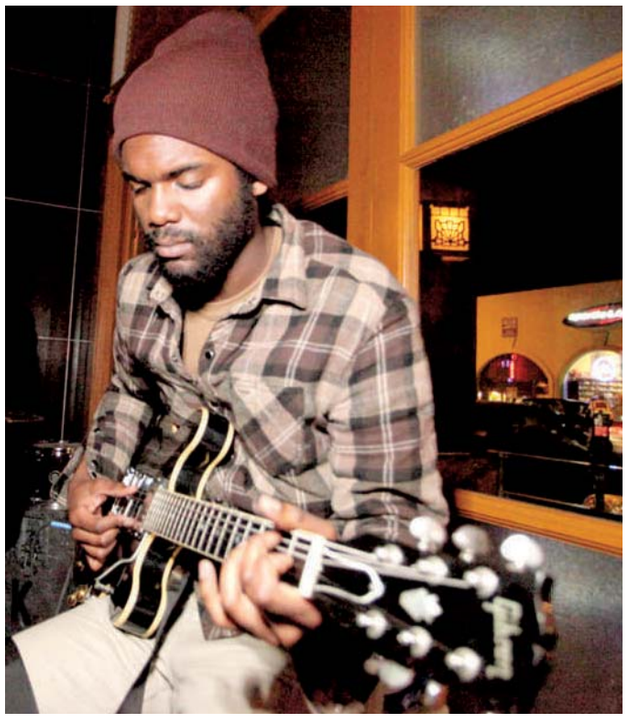

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JAM ON: Gary Clark Jr. shreds like Jimi Hendrix and sings like the Black Keys' Dan Auerbach. On "The Bright Lights," he mixes catchy pop songs with extended improvisations, both of which will be on display at Rams Head On Stage Sunday.

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$12 in advance, $15 at the door.

Twins Jazz: Katy Roberts Quintet, $15.

U Street Music Hall: Sam "The Man" Burns, Sol Power All-Stars, Meistro, Deep Sang, Stylus, $10, free before 11 p.m. for age 21 and older.

Velvet Lounge: Tiny Boxes, $10.

SATURDAY

Birchmere: Maysa, Gordon Chambers, $45.

Black Cat: The Ettes, Hans Condor, Friends, the Bam Bams, $10 in advance, $12 at the door; "Moon/Bounce Dancing Affair," 9:30 p.m., $5.

DC9: "The Singles Club," $5.

George Washington University/Lisner Auditorium: KanKouran, 8 p.m., $30.

Iota: The Latebirds, 9 p.m., $10.

Jammin' Java: "Sonorus II," noon, $10; Robin and Linda Williams and Their Fine Group, 9:30 p.m., $20.

Jaxx: Hive, Hyx & Houston, Bella Bounce, Render One, 5ive, $15.

Jiffy Lube Live: Stevie Nicks, 8 p.m., $32-$207.

Kennedy Center/Concert Hall: "Evolution of Gospel," 6:30 p.m., free, tickets required.

Kennedy Center/Millennium Stage: Annual "Page-to-Stage" reading, 6 p.m., free.

Rams Head Tavern: Eric Lindell, $22.

Red Palace: DJ Phillip Goyette, 10 p.m., free.

Rock & Roll Hotel: "Mass Appeal," 9:30 p.m., free; Glenmont Popes, Lazlo Lee & the Motherless Children, Jumpin' Jupiter, $10.

State Theatre: The John K Band, Jeff Aug, $10 in advance, $12 at the door.

U Street Music Hall: Gui Boratto, Volta Bureau (DJ Set), Jay Simon, $15.

Velvet Lounge: McRad, Thee Lexington Arrows, Throwdown Syndicate, the Tixxx, $8.

SUNDAY

Black Cat: The Fordists, Regents, the Aquarium, 8 p.m., $8.

Bohemian Caverns: Luisa Maita, $15 in advance, $20 at the door.

George Washington University/Lisner Auditorium: Satinder Sartaaj,

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7 p.m., $29-$100.

Iota: Hotel Lights, $12.

Jammin' Java: TheRuinCity, Let's Be Honest, Hit This City, the Concussion Theory, All in Karma, Bandits & Beggars, 6 p.m., $10 in advance, $13 at the door.

Jiffy Lube Live: Journey, Night Ranger, 7:30 p.m., $24-$162.

Kennedy Center/Millennium Stage: Annual "Page-to-Stage" reading, 6 p.m., free.

Rams Head Tavern: The Baseball Project, $22.50.

Rock & Roll Hotel: "Moombacon Massive," free.

State Theatre: "Rock for Nepal,, $22 in advance, $27 at the door.

Twins Jazz: The Rodney Kelley Experience, $15.

U Street Music Hall: Vibesquad, Unspoken Heard, Nappy Riddem, Fort Knox Five, $10.

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American University/Katzen Arts Center: "Inner Piece: Works from the Collection of Heather and Tony Podesta," contemporary works by Pilar Albarracín, Clare Langan, Laurel Nakadate, Julie Roberts and Saskia Olde Wolbers, opening Sat., through Dec. 14. "Re-viewing Documentary: The Photographic Life of Louise Rosskam," the documentary photographer's images capture Southwest D.C. neighborhoods in the 1940s and the rise of Puerto Rico. opening Sat., through Dec. 14. 4400 Massachusetts Ave. NW; 202-885-1300, American.edu/katzen.

Anacostia Community Museum: "Exercise Your Mynd — BK Adams I Am Art," works incorporating found objects and toys encourage the viewer's involvement with D.C.-based artist BK Adams' works, through Nov. 27. 1901 Fort Place SE; 202-633-4820, Anacostia.si.edu.

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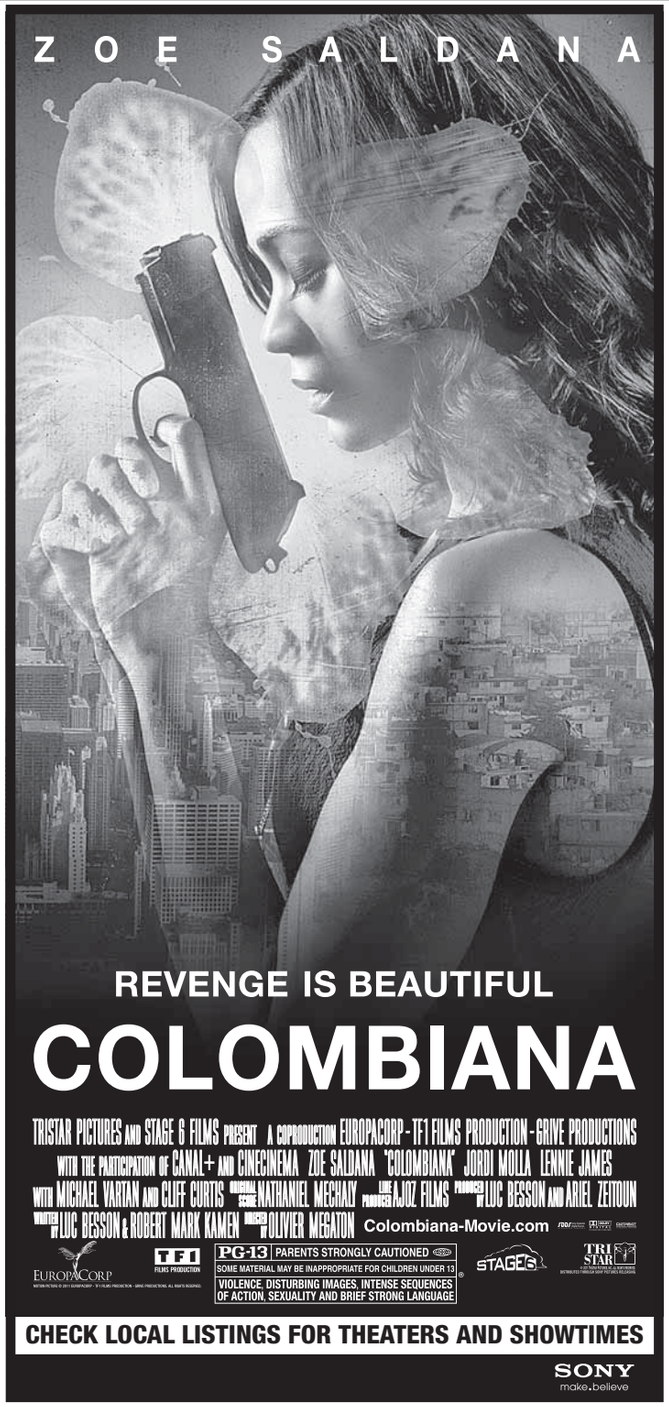

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Artisphere: "Mantras Samplers," works by Maribeth Egan, who takes photographs of everyday places, alters them, and hand-stitches mantralike phrases into the paper, through Sept. 24. "Photo 2011," a juried exhibit of regional photographers, through Sept. 11. 1101 Wilson Blvd., Arlington; 703-875-1100, Artisphere.com.

LAST CHANCE Capitol Hill Arts Workshop: Laura Vernon-Russell, gelatin prints by the artist that focus on nature and Earth's mysteries, Thu. 545 Seventh St. SE; 202-547-6839, Chaw.org.

Flashpoint: "Trace," sculptures, drawings and drawings and works incorporating found objects by Nicole Herbert line the hallways of Flashpoint's incubator space, through Sept. 30. 916 G St. NW; 202-315-1305, Flashpointdc.org.

LAST CHANCE Folger Shakespeare Library: "Fame, Fortune, and Theft: The Shakespeare First Folio," an exhibit that focuses on the First Folio, an early collection of Shakespeare's plays. On display are 11 complete First Folios and portions of other copies, along with other pieces from the Folger collection, Thu.-Sat. 201 East Capitol St. SE; 202-544-4600, Folger.edu.

Foundry Gallery: "Mix No Match," paintings by Julia Latein-Kimmig, through Oct. 2. 1314 18th St. NW; 202-463-0203.

Freer Gallery of Art: "Ancient Chinese Jades and Bronzes," more than 100 pieces in jade and bronze showing the Liangzhu culture and its impact on future art, "Chinese Flowers," part of the museum's ongoing "Seasons" exhibition, view paintings of Chinese flora specific to each quarter of the calendar, through Jan. 8. "Japanese Screens," part of the museum's ongoing "Seasons" exhibition, a rotating set of screens painted to match different times of year, through Jan. 22. "Sweet Silent Thought: Whistler's Interiors," a look at the recurring themes of reading, music, reverie and studio practice in the works of James McNeill Whistler, through July 1, 2012. "The Peacock Room Comes to America," some of the museum's most iconic pieces will be displayed in a room, designed by James McNeill Whistler, that is meant to re-create a room in the home of the museum's founder, Charles Lang Freer, "Arts of Japan," springtime cherry blossoms and cherry maples are only a small sample of how the seasons influence Japanese art, opening Sat., through March 4. "Tea," from stoneware to porcelain, tea utensils demonstrate the changing of the seasons, opening Sat., through March 4. Jefferson Drive and 12th Street SW; 202-633-1000, Asia.si.edu.

LAST CHANCE Goethe-Institut: "Gute Aussichten: New German Photography 2010/2011," works from winners of Germany's 2010-2011 graduate photography competition, Thu. and Fri. 812 Seventh St. NW; 202-289-1200, Goethe.de/ins/us/was/enindex.htm.

Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden: "Black Box: Nira Pereg,"

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setting up various cameras around the Karlsruhe Zoo in Germany, documentarian Nira Pereg studied the habits of a flock of flamingos. A sporadic soundtrack is the only hint of human intrusion in their space, through Nov. 30. "Directions: Grazia Toderi," the video artist's large-scale installations are drawn from documentary imagery captured by urban night surveillance and satellite flyovers, through Sept. 30. Seventh Street and Independence Avenue SW; 202-633-1000, Hirshhorn.si.edu.

Honfleur: "East of the River," local artists create works that react to culture, history and social issues in Historic Anacostia, through Sept. 9. 1241 Good Hope Road SE; 202-536-8994, Honfleurgallery.com.

Mexican Cultural Institute: "Mexico Through the Lens of National Geographic," a selection of 132 photographs documenting Mexico's history, culture and landscape from National Geographic Society's archive, through Oct. 22. 2829 16th St. NW; 202-728-1628, Portal.sre.gob.mx.

National Air and Space Museum: "Barron Hilton: Pioneers of Flight Gallery," the museum's exhibit of aviation and rocketry in the 1920s and '30s reopened with additional artifacts, such as Anne Lindbergh's telegraph key, and hands-on activities for kids, "NASA/Art: 50 Years of Exploration," artwork from the more than 50 years of the NASA program that shows some of the achievements and setbacks faced by the space program. Featured artists include Annie Leibovitz, Nam June Paik, Robert Rauschenberg, Norman Rockwell, Andy Warhol, William Wegman and Jamie Wyeth, through Oct. 9. Sixth Street and Independence Avenue SW; 202-633-1000, Nasm.si.edu.

LAST CHANCE National Building Museum: "Designing Tomorrow: America's World's Fairs of the 1930s," a look at the legacy of the fairs in Chicago, San Diego, Dallas, Cleveland, San Francisco and New York during the Great Depression, through Mon. "Investigating Where

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CARYL BURTNER

HOPING FOR A LUCKY NUMBER: Caryl Burntner's "Friday the 13th" is one of the finalists for the Trawick Prize, which could net her $10,000. All of the competing art is on view at the Artery Plaza Gallery throughout September.

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One Day (PG-13) AMC INDEPENDENT: 1:30-4:20-7:20-10:00
Fright Night 3D (R) RealD 3D: 3:40-6:20-9:10-11:50
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Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows - Part 2: An IMAX 3D Experience (PG-13) IMAX 3D: 1:40-4:55
Colombiana (PG-13) Digital Presentation: (!) 2:10-4:45-7:40-10:15
The Help (PG-13) CC-Closed Captions: 2:40-6:00-9:30
Conan the Barbarian in 3D (R) RealD 3D: 4:10-9:25
Transformers: Dark of the Moon: An IMAX 3D Experience (PG-13) IMAX 3D: 7:55
Conan the Barbarian (R) Digital Presentation: 1:25-6:40
Spy Kids: All the Time in the World 3D (PG) RealD 3D: 1:50-6:50
Spy Kids: All the Time in the World (PG) Digital Presentation: 4:10-9:20
Our Idiot Brother (R) (!) 2:00-4:30-7:00-9:35-11:55
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Crazy, Stupid, Love (PG-13) 1:35-4:20-7:10-9:55
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Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows - Part 2 3D (PG-13) RealD 3D: 3:30-7:00

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Our Idiot Brother (R) 12:20-2:40-5:00-7:40-10:10
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The Help (PG-13) (!) 12:40-3:50-7:00-10:20

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The Debt (R) 12:00-2:45-5:30-8:15
The Help (PG-13) 10:45-1:45-4:50-8:00

Landmark E Street Cinema
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The Guard (R) 1:00-3:15-5:30-7:45-10:00
Midnight in Paris (PG-13) 2:30-5:00-7:30-9:45
Senna (PG-13) 1:45-4:30-7:15-9:40
The Devil's Double (R) 2:20
Beats, Rhymes & Life: The Travels of a Tribe Called Quest (R) 4:50
Chasing Madoff! (NR) 1:10-3:20-5:30-7:40-9:50
Pianomania (NR) 1:15-3:30-5:45-8:00-10:00
Brighton Rock (NR) 2:10-4:40-7:10-9:40
The Debt (R) (!) 1:30-4:15-7:00-9:30

Regal Gallery Place Stadium 14
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Final Destination 5 3D (R) RealD 3D: (!) 1:00-3:20-5:40-8:10-10:35
Don't Be Afraid of the Dark (R) Digital Projection: 11:50-2:10-4:30-7:20-10:00
Fright Night 3D (R) RealD 3D: (!) 4:00-7:15-9:50
Colombiana (PG-13) Open Caption & Descriptive Video: 2:30-10:15
Conan the Barbarian in 3D (R) RealD 3D: (!) 4:30-7:50-10:30
Spy Kids: All the Time in the World 3D (PG) RealD 3D: (!) 2:25-7:10
Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows - Part 2 (PG-13) 1:00
Our Idiot Brother (R) 12:20-2:55-5:15-7:30-10:00
Conan the Barbarian (R) 1:10
Cowboys & Aliens (PG-13) 3:50-10:10
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One Day (PG-13) 1:40-4:10-6:50-9:20
Fright Night (R) 12:50
Colombiana (PG-13) 11:50-5:05-7:40

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Sarah's Key (Elle s'appelait Sarah) (PG-13) English Subtitles: 2:20-4:40-7:00-9:20
Sholem Aleichem: Laughing in the Darkness (NR) English Subtitles: 2:50
El Bulli - Cooking in Progress (NR) English Subtitles: 5:00-7:40-10:00
Life in a Day (PG-13) 3:10-5:20

MARYLAND

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The Guard (R) No Passes: (!) 1:10-3:15-5:20-7:25-9:30
Sarah's Key (Elle s'appelait Sarah) (PG-13) No Passes: (!) 12:50-2:50-4:55
Midnight in Paris (PG-13) 2:30-9:15
Highlander (R) 9:20
Hoosiers (PG) 4:30
The Man Who Wasn't There (R) 7:00

AMC Loews Center Park 8
4001 Powder Mill Rd. www.AMCTheatres.com

Rise of the Planet of the Apes (PG-13) Digital Presentation: 12:15-2:45-5:15-7:50
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Fright Night (R) Digital Presentation: (!) 11:30AM
Colombiana (PG-13) Digital Presentation: (!) 11:15-1:50-4:30-7:00
The Help (PG-13) Digital Presentation: (!) 11:50-3:15-6:50
Conan the Barbarian in 3D (R) RealD 3D: (!) 1:45-7:15
Conan the Barbarian (R) Digital Presentation: (!) 11:00-4:20
Spy Kids: All the Time in the World (PG) Digital Presentation: (!) 11:45-2:00-4:15-6:45

AMC Loews White Flint 5
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The Help (PG-13) Digital Presentation: 1:00-4:15-7:30
Our Idiot Brother (R) Digital Presentation: 2:10-5:20-8:00
Spy Kids: All the Time in the World 3D (PG) RealD 3D: 1:55-7:00
Spy Kids: All the Time in the World (PG) Digital Presentation: 4:45
The Debt (R) 1:40-5:05-7:45
Colombiana (PG-13) 1:20-4:30-7:15

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Sarah's Key (Elle s'appelait Sarah) (PG-13) 2:00-4:30-7:05-9:30
Midnight in Paris (PG-13) 2:35-5:00-7:30-9:50
The Guard (R) 2:15-4:50-7:15-9:35
Incendies (R) 2:30-6:00-9:00
Our Idiot Brother (R) (!) 2:10-4:40-7:00-9:20
The Whistleblower (R) 1:25-4:10-6:50-9:40
The Names of Love (Le nom des gens) (R) 1:45-4:20-6:45-9:15
One Day (PG-13) 1:30-4:15-6:55-9:45

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Don't Be Afraid of the Dark (R) Digital Projection: 2:10-4:40-7:40-10:40
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AMC Courthouse Plaza 8
2150 Clarendon Blvd. www.AMCTheatres.com

Don't Be Afraid of the Dark (R) Digital Presentation: (!) 12:20-2:50-5:20-7:50-10:10
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206 Swamp Fox Rd. www.AMCTheatres.com

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Horrible Bosses (R) Digital Presentation: 7:15-9:55
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Alexandria Old Town Theater
815 1/2 King St http://tickets.oldtowntheater.com/

Conan the Barbarian (R) (!) 5:00-7:30
One Day (PG-13) (!) 5:20-7:45
Pitch Black (R) 9:30

Arlington Cinema 'N' Drafthouse
2903 Columbia Pike http://www.arlingtondrafthouse.com/

Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides (PG-13) 9:50
Bridesmaids (R) 7:20

Regal Ballston Common 12
671 N. Glebe Road www.regalcinemas.com

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Southern Spell

Sorghum syrup adds mystery to the savory and the sweet

New England has a long-standing love affair with maple syrup, but below the Mason-Dixon Line, it's all about sorghum syrup. Made by boiling down the juice from sorghum cane stalks, the golden liquid has a sweet, earthy flavor that's been described as molasses without the bite. Chefs and mixologists are fans because sorghum can sweeten the savory, add depth to desserts or bring a twist to a cocktail. No matter how it's used, sorghum puts a spotlight on Dixieland cuisine. "The South is shining right now," says Sou'Wester chef de cuisine Eddie Moran. "It has really great food made with these amazing ingredients that you can't get anywhere else." NEVIN MARTELL

Sou'Wester

Before Moran was a Washingtonian, he did a culinary tour of duty through the Southern states. During a sojourn in Little Rock, Ark., he was introduced to sorghum when somebody poured it onto a bowl of hot grits. "It reminded me of growing up in California," he says, "except we used maple syrup on cereal instead." When Moran moved to D.C., he decided to play around with the amber liquid to see how he could put a spin on it. The result is a duck breast glazed with a gastrique of sorghum, cabernet vinegar, star anise, clove and peach pieces. The dish, above, is topped with a small salad of fresh local peaches, making it an ode to both the season and the South. ● *1330 Maryland Ave. SW; 202-787-6140, Mandarinoriental.com. (Smithsonian)*

Westend Bistro

Joe Palma is obsessed with sorghum. The Westend Bistro's chef de cuisine is currently putting it to work in dishes both sweet and savory. "I use it any time we need a darker, heavier sugar component," he says. Diners can get a taste of the syrup in the chef's barbecued peanuts, below, which are served with the Virginia Ham and Cheese dish ($15, available at the bar only). Palma starts by making a spice mix of black garlic, ancho chilies and guajillo peppers. After the peanuts are coated, he drizzles them in sorghum and pops them in the oven to caramelize. He has also created a sorghum-laced ice cream, which accompanies the big-enough-for-two strawberry and rhubarb cobbler ($10). ● *1190 22nd St. NW; 202-974-4900, Westendbistrodc.com.*

So Sip This ...

For a long time, beer lovers with celiac disease had to order wine and grit their teeth. Now a number of breweries are using sorghum to make gluten-free options, which sounds like a good reason to celebrate with a cold one. (Order online)

New Grist
Lakefront Brewery's golden-hued brewski is the perfect complement to a burger and fries (hold the bun). (Lakefrontbrewery.com)

Original Sorghum Malt Beer
Created by two gluten-intolerant buds with a love of suds, this coppery colored lager has hints of tart apple and the lingering aroma of honey. (Bardsbeer.com)

G-Free
This British import has a clean, crisp flavor and a whiff of citrus and mandarin oranges courtesy of the American Amarillo hops. (Stpetersbrewery.co.uk)

Mix it Yourself

COCKTAIL: "BASIL"

Ingredients

- **2 oz. basil Hayden's Bourbon**
- **1 large pinch cinnamon basil leaves (muddled or crushed) — regular basil also works well if you can't find cinnamon basil**
- **1 oz. sorghum syrup**
- **6 drops peach bitters**

Method:
In a pint glass, muddle basil, pour in bourbon and sorghum syrup, then add bitters. Add ice, shake hard 25 to 35 times. Double strain into a rocks glass with ice in it. (Note: You can find sorghum syrup at any common market or organic grocery store.) ALEX STRANGE

Shab Row

When head bartender Alex Strange serves his "Basil" cocktail ($12), he frequently gets asked about the mystery flavor mixed into the high-end aperitif. Discriminating tipplers zero in on the sorghum syrup, which is mixed with muddled cinnamon basil, Smooth Ambler Yearling Bourbon and fiery Fever-Tree ginger beer. "The sorghum imparts a savory element," Strange says. "It gives the drink a bigger flavor." The mixologist often has his own question for guests after he's explained the drink: "Would you like another one?" Yes, please! ● *221B N. East St., Frederick, Md.; 301-631-8102, Shabrowwine.com.*

Opera Ultra Lounge

Sometimes inspiration strikes in the strangest places. Opera's managing partner, John Alexiades, was at his grandmother's house developing cocktails for the luxury lounge when he had a "Eureka!" moment. He was looking for maple syrup to offset the bite of the Maker's Mark bourbon in his test cocktail, but his grandmother had only a bottle of sorghum. "I had no idea what it was," he admits. "But I immediately liked it because it's not as bitter as molasses and it has a nice sweetness to it." Within minutes, Alexiades had developed the Curtain Call ($12), an on-the-rocks stroke of genius that combines sorghum, bourbon, Thatcher's apple spice ginger liqueur and muddled fresh cherries. Try the sweet and spiced mixture at the venue's official grand opening, set for Sept. 8. ● *1400 I St. NW; 202-289-1400, Operadc.com. (McPherson Square)*

French-Kissed

Parisian touches bring the City of Light to D.C.'s Cleveland Park

New Spot

The history of rock 'n' roll is paved with classic partnerships: Lennon and McCartney, Jagger and Richards, Bono and the Edge. So, when record-exec-turned-restaurant-manager John Warner decided to open his own establishment, he knew he'd need a top-notch collaborator to create a culinary smash hit. He didn't have to look very far: David Ashwell was the chef de cuisine at Brasserie Beck, where Warner was managing at the time. The two formed a partnership and penned a love song to French cuisine: Cleveland Park's Bistrot Le Zinc, which opened in mid-July.

Vision: "I've always been an amateur Francophile," Warner says. "Paris is the greatest city in the world." Most of the dishes here taste like they were imported directly from the City of Light, thanks to Ashford's well-executed sauces, including a winning beurre rouge (red butter) that accompanies the roast chicken breast and a cabernet reduction that comes with the steak frites.

Eats: Put aside any childish fears when ordering an appetizer, because the escargot ($12) is the way to go. The buttery snails are shucked from their shells and placed in a rich burgundy sauce that rings a braised Granny Smith apple injected with creamy Stilton blue cheese and topped with fresh parsley and roasted wild garlic. There are eight entree choices, including the pan-seared red snapper ($24) with a golden basil brioche crust crowned with a small oval of eggplant tapenade. This rests on a shelf of whipped chive potatoes, which is surrounded by a moat of red pepper reduction. The dessert menu is small but well executed. Try the delightful poached Bartlett pear ($10) stuffed with candied roasted walnuts, which is placed in a puff pastry shell before being draped with a healthy dose of Kirsch Sabayon (frothy brandy sauce) and a sprinkle of cinnamon. An oval scoop of crème fraîche ice cream completes this memorable finale.

PHOTOS BY NEVIN MARTELL

Bistrot Le Zinc's tiny but tasteful dessert menu includes this poached Bartlett pear.

Dark wood and black-and-white photographs are part of Bistrot Le Zinc's decor.

Atmosphere

Iconic photos of Bob Marley, Muhammad Ali and Winston Churchill preside over this cozy eatery, where the open kitchen produces pleasing aromas to entice the crowd of families, friends and first-date couples.

Drinks: In keeping with the traditional bistro cuisine, only French wines are for sale. There are 30 options, which vary in price from $29 to $165. If you're feeling bubbly but don't want a whole bottle, choose from a dozen champagne cocktails. The Montpelier ($9) adds a dash of thyme-maple syrup to a glass of sparkling wine, while the Nelson's Blood ($9) marries tawny port to the fizzy vino. NEVIN MARTELL

● *3714 Macomb St. NW; 202-686-2015, Lezincdc.com.*

New on the Menu: As if you needed a reason to throw one back in the morning, Cork Wine Bar (1720 14th St. NW; 202-265-2675, Corkdc.com) is now open for brunch on Sundays (11 a.m.-3 p.m.). Alongside new dishes (and old ones from the restaurant's regular menu) such as Baked Egg in Parmesan Crust ($8), the restaurant offers 10 cocktail options, including refreshing citrus (grapefruit, orange, blood orange) mimosa flights for $15.

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Selections from world premiere musicals *The Boy Detective Fails* by Joe Meno and Adam Gwon and *The Hollow* by Hunter Foster and Matt Conner.

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7 WED ★ J Mascis
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8 & 9 THU & FRI ★ Sarah Levitt & Benjamin Wegman
The world premiere of *Hammock*, a collaboration between the Dance Exchange dancers, choreographers, and teachers.
Part of the Local Dance Commissioning Project.

10 SAT ★ Washington National Opera Domingo-Cafritz Young Artists
Participants of this Washington National Opera program perform scenes from popular operas.

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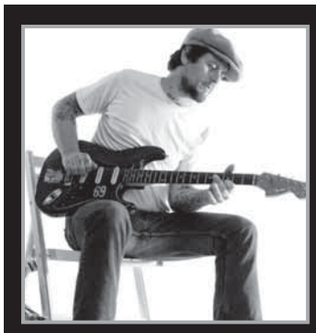
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We Live," an exhibit of photographs and creative writing by Washington-area middle and high school students who were given four weeks to interpret three neighborhoods in the District, through May 28, 2012. "Lego Architecture: Towering Ambition," architectural artist Adam Reed Tucker uses Lego blocks to re-create landmarks including the Empire State Building, through Sept. 3, 2012. "Walls Speak: The Narrative Art of Hildreth Meiere," Art Deco murals and mosaics by the artist who designed ornamentation for Radio City Music Hall and the Nebraska Capitol, through Jan. 2. 401 F St. NW; 202-272-2448, Nbm.org.

LAST CHANCE **National Gallery of Art, West Building:** "A Masterpiece From the Capitoline Museum, Rome," on view is the famed Capitoline Venus, one of the best-preserved statues from the Roman antiquity, through Mon. "Declaration of Independence: The Stone Copy," one of 31 existing copies of the facsimile Declaration of Independence made by William J. Stone, who was commissioned in 1820 by John Quincy Adams to make copies of the document after the original had already started to show damage from time and exposure, through Mon. "Italian Master Drawings From the Wolfgang Ratjen Collection: 1525 to 1835," sixty-five drawings and study plans from some of the most important Italian artists, dating from the Renaissance and to the neoclassical period, through Nov. 27. "Text as Inspiration: Artists' Books and Literature," fourteen books of poetry and prose that artists have enhanced with visuals inspired by the text. Some are made by artist-bookmakers, others are titles by familiar authors who tapped certain artists to add artwork such as prints, drawings and paper sculpture, through Jan. 29. "The Gothic Spirit of John Taylor Arms," sixty-five prints, drawings and etchings capturing Gothic architecture as seen among gargoyles, French and Italian churches and the city of New York, through Nov. 27. Sixth Street and Constitution Avenue NW; 202-737-4215, Nga.gov.

National Museum of African Art: "African Mosaic: Celebrating a Decade of Collecting," a collection of 112 objects that represent 10 years of work toward building a permanent collection, through Dec. 11. "Artists in Dialogue: Sandile Zulu and Henrique Oliveira," two artists react to the each other's work, resulting in site-specific, original creations, through Dec. 4. 950 Independence Ave. SW; 202-633-4600, Africa.si.edu.

National Museum of American History: "For All the World to See: Visual Culture and the Struggle for Civil Rights," more than 225 objects, including rare film footage and vintage TV clips, demonstrate how the visual image changed people's attitudes about the civil rights movement, through Nov. 27. "Have You Heard the One ... ? The Phyllis Diller Gag File," various artifacts and memorabilia from the career of performer Phyllis Diller, including a metal file drawer with more than 50,000 jokes and gags; "Holidays on Display," an examination of parading culture and department store retail displays between the 1920s and 1960s; "On the Water: Stories From Maritime America," an exploration of life on the nation's waterways, and the central role marine transportation and waterborne commerce played in the establishment of major cities and trade routes; "Paper Engineering: Fold, Pull, Pop and Turn," pop-up books from 1570 to today show the evolution from education on things such as the workings of the human heart to children's books, through Oct. 10. "Stories on Money," an exhibition looking at how money has changed from Colonial days to the present, "The First Ladies at the Smithsonian: A First Lady's Debut," an addition to the museum's collection of first ladies' gowns, focusing on dresses from contemporary first ladies, beginning with Mamie Eisenhower, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW; 202-633-1000, Americanhistory.si.edu.

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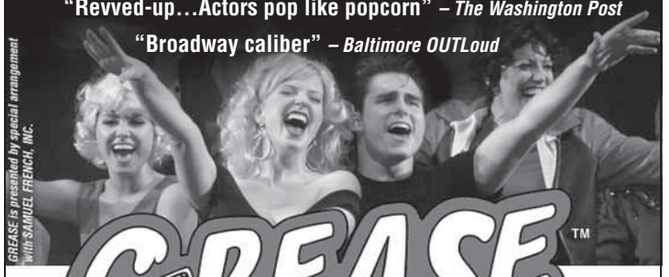

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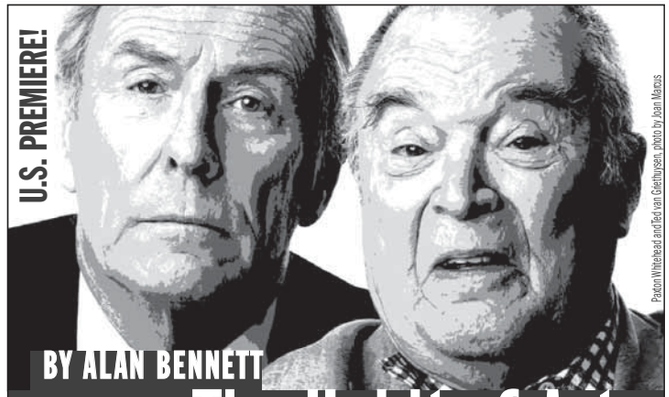
National Museum of Natural History: "More Than Meets the Eye," a look at the tools, skills and technologies used by the museum's scientists to explore the diversity in life-forms and cultures, through Nov. 4, 2012. "Race: Are We So Different?," scientific, cultural and historical perspectives on the topic of heritage and ancestry, through Jan. 1. "Written in Bone: Forensic Files of the 17th-Century Chesapeake," 10th Street and Constitution Avenue NW; 202-633-1000, Mnh.si.edu.

National Museum of the American Indian: "Conversations With the Earth: Indigenous Voices on Climate Change," an indigenous science exhibition that uses photographs, video and audio captured by tribal communities from the Arctic to Brazil, through Dec. 2. "IndiVisible: African-Native American Lives in the Americas," an exhibit that looks at the lives of people with African American and Native American heritages, through Feb. 2. Fourth Street and Independence Avenue SW; 202-633-1000, Nmai.si.edu.

National Museum of Women in the Arts: "Pressing Ideas: Fifty Years of Women's Lithographs From Tamarind," more than 70 works from female artists who helped revive the art form of lithography, through Oct. 2. "Susan Swartz: Seasons of the Soul," thirteen large-scale paintings by the Utah-based artist, through Oct. 2. "The Guerrilla Girls Talk Back," more than 70 posters and ephemera made by the Guerrilla Girls, an anonymous collective of artists whose work critiques sexism and racism in today's culture, through Oct. 2. 1250 New York Ave. NW; 202-783-5000, Nmwa.org.

LAST CHANCE **National Portrait Gallery:** "Capital Portraits: Treasures From Washington Private Collections, 1730-2010," rarely seen works by John Singleton Copley, Mary Cassatt, Andy Warhol, Kehinde Wiley and others, through Mon. "Glimpse of the Past: A Neighborhood Evolves," a photographic exploration of the neighborhood surrounding the Patent Office Building, one of the oldest federal buildings in Washington, through Jan. 8. "Mementos: Painted and Photographic Miniatures, 1750-1920," an exhibit of portrait miniatures that were often made as love tokens or keepsakes, through May 13. "One Life: Ronald Reagan," an exhibition celebrating the 40th president's 100th birthday, through May 28. "Portraiture Now: Asian American Portraits of Encounter," portraits by seven Asian American artists that capture the complexities of being Asian in America, through Oct. 14, 2012. "The Death of Ellsworth," the first of four yearly



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LAST CHANCE Newseum: "Covering Katrina," a look at the hurricane through the eyes of journalists covering it, including artifacts used by them as well as photos and news clips, through Mon. "G-Men and Journalists: Top News Stories of the FBI's First Century," coverage of the FBI's most famous investigations, through Dec. 31. "Inside Tim Russert's Office: If It's Sunday, It's Meet the Press," the former "Meet the Press" host's office is partially reassembled to reflect how it appeared during his 17 years as the show's moderator, through Dec. 31. "Pictures of the Year," more than 60 print and digital images that capture key moments from 2010, through Oct. 31. 555 Pennsylvania Ave. NW; 888-639-7386, Newseum.org.

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Phillips Collection: "90 Years of New: Morris Louis," works by abstract expressionist painter Morris Louis, one of the early developers of the Washington Color School, through Oct. 9. "Allan deSouza: The World Series," deSouza responds to Jacob Lawrence's "The Migration Series" with 30 pictures taken from his travels and audio recordings recounting the experience, through Sept. 17. "Kandinsky and the Harmony of Silence: Painting With White Border," Kandinsky's masterpiece will be on display with more than a dozen sketches and drawings that preempted the painting, through Sun. "Left Behind," modernist photographs of uninhabited buildings where the existence of human life is only implied, through Oct. 2. "Stella Sounds: The Scarlatti K Series," Frank Stella takes inspiration from an 18th-century composer in his polychrome forms made with resin accented by coiled steel tubing, through Sun. "Will Ryman's 'The Roses'," fiberglass and stainless steel statues of rose blooms are placed on the museum's lawn. The structures transform in the changing

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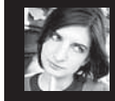

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The Capitoline Venus, 2nd century AD, marble (probably Parian), Sovraintendenza ai Beni Culturali di Roma Capitale–Musei Capitolini, Rome, Italy. View of installation in the Rotunda of the West Building of the National Gallery of Art, Washington. Photo by Rob Shelley

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light of the colder seasons, through Jan. 5. 1600 21st St. NW; 202-387-2151, Phillipscollection.org.

S. Dillon Ripley Center: "American Sabor: Latinos in U.S. Popular Music," an interactive exhibit using bilingual text panels, images and sound to help visitors explore Latin music, through Oct. 9. 1100 Jefferson Drive SW; 202-633-1000, Si.edu/Museums/ripley-center.

Smithsonian American Art Museum: "The Great Hall of American Wonders," this collection of more than 160 objects, including paintings and drawings by John James Audubon and Winslow Homer, as well as botanical illustrations, patent models and engineering diagrams, captures America at its most aspirational and imaginative, through Jan. 8. "To Make a World: George Ault and 1940s America," works by famed American painter George Ault that capture the emotional struggles the country was going through during the World War II conflict, through Mon. "Watch This! New Directions in the Art of the Moving Image," the moving image has a new home on the third floor of the Smithsonian American Art Museum, where a permanent collection documenting contemporary art's use of video opens Friday. On display are nine works spanning 50 years, including Cory Arcangel's Nintendo-inspired "Video Painting," Jim Campbell's "Grand Central Station #2" display, made from 1,728 LED lights and Kota Ezawa's three-dimensional digital animation, "LYAM 3D," Eighth and F streets NW; 202-633-1000, Americanart.si.edu.

Textile Museum: "Green: the Color and the Cause," this exhibition will look into the meaning of the color green in different cultures, how its meaning has changed through the years and the different techniques devised to create green textiles, through Sept. 11. "Second Lives: The Age-Old Art of Recycling Textiles," examples of how various cultures reuse fabric, including a vest made from a blanket and a large patchwork of small scraps of silk ikat, through Jan. 8. 2320 S St. NW; 202-667-0441, Textilemuseum.org.

The Old Print Gallery: "Location, Location, Location," prints of the topographical and architectural worlds of the artists, through Sept. 9. 1220 31st St. NW; 202-965-1818, Oldprintgallery.com.

LAST CHANCE **Torpedo Factory Art Center/Art League Gallery:** "'Scapes: All-Media Membership Landscape" exhibit, works inspired by diverse environments, including urban, rural, industrialized, coastal and arid, and works portraying nature, by Art League Gallery members, through Mon., 10 a.m.-9 p.m. "Red Dots: Drawings," by Shanthi Chandrasekar, through Oct. 3, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Art League Gallery, Room 21, 105 N. Union St., Alexandria; 703-683-1780, Torpedofactory.org.

U.S. Botanic Garden: "Flora Photographica: A Study in Contrast," large-format images of plants by photographers Robert Llewellyn and Andrea Ottesen, through Oct. 16. 100 Maryland Ave. SW; 202-225-8333, Usbg.gov.

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LAST CHANCE **A Midsummer Night's Dream:** The Rude Mechanicals set Shakespeare's classic in Las Vegas, through Sat., $15, $12 students and seniors. Greenbelt Arts Center, 123 Centerway, Greenbelt, Md.; 301-441-8770, Greenbeltartscenter.org .

LAST CHANCE **Charlotte's Web:** Wilbur, a pig, is saved from the dinner table by a loving spider in this play adapted from E.B. White's classic tale, through Mon., $17. Glen Echo Park, Adventure Theatre, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo; 301-634-2270, Adventuretheatre.org.

LAST CHANCE **Duck Hunter Shoots Angel:** The Port Tobacco Players present Mitch Albom's comedy about two Alabama brothers who accidentally shoot what appears to be an angel, through Sun., $17, seniors and students $14. Port Tobacco Players, 508 Charles St., La Plata, Md.; 301-932-6819, Ptplayers.com.

LAST CHANCE **Free for All: Julius Caesar:** through Sun., free. Sidney Harman Hall, 610 F St. NW; 202-547-1122, Shakespearetheatre.org.

LAST CHANCE **Grease:** Two teens from opposite social circles attempt to prolong their summer romance, through Sun., $26-$54. Olney Theatre Center, 2001 Olney-Sandy Spring Rd., Olney, Md.; 301-924-3400, Olneytheatre.org.

Happy Days: WSC Avant Bard starts its 22nd season with Samuel Beckett's comedic play, which revolves around a woman trapped in a mound of earth, through Sept. 25, $10-$50, $10-$48 seniors and students. Artisphere, 1101 Wilson Blvd., Arlington; 703-875-1100, Artisphere.com.

The Hollow: An insular Dutch community is terrorized by a headless specter in this moody musical inspired by Washington Irving's "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow." A premiere, the show was penned by writers Hunter Foster and Matt Conner, through Oct. 16, $62-$86. Signature Theatre, 4200 Campbell Ave., Arlington; 703-820-9771, Signature-theatre.org.

Imagining Madoff: If Theater J's season-opening production, Deb Margolin's "Imagining Madoff," sounds familiar, that's because the play was originally slated to open the theater's 2010-11 season. It was scrapped, however, after strenuous objections from Holocaust survivor, author and former Bernard Madoff client Elie Wiesel, who objected to his role in the script that explores the motivations of the notorious gonif. A revised version replaces the Wiesel character with the fictional Solomon Galkin (Mike Nussbaum) who will appear alongside Rick Foucheux's imprisoned Madoff, through Sept. 25, $15-$30. Theater J, 1529 16th St. NW; 800-494-8497, Theaterj.org.

Oklahoma!: If you missed the Rodgers and Hammerstein musical that took home four Helen Hayes awards when it christened Arena Stage's Mead Center for American Theater in October, here is your chance to get back to the prairie, through Oct. 2, $46-$106. Arena Stage, 1101 Sixth St. SW; 202-488-3300, Arenastage.org.

Or,: Rep Stage kicks off its season with Liz Duffy Adams's farce set in the 1660s, through Sept. 18, $22-$33, $20-$31 seniors, $12 students. Rep Stage, Howard Community College, 10901 Little Patuxent Pkwy., Columbia, Md.; 443-518-1500, Repstage.org.

Savage in Limbo: A Bronx tale about five bar regulars in search of life, love and answers to questions, through Oct. 16, pay-what-you-can performance, 8 p.m. Sept. 8; other performances, $45-$50. MetroStage, 1201 N. Royal St., Alexandria; 703-548-9044, 800-494-8497, Metrostage.org.

LAST CHANCE **Something Past in Front of the Light:** Longacre Lea's annual production follows the devil on his quest to make a documentary, through Sun., $15-$18, $12-$15 seniors and students. Catholic University, Callan Theatre, 3801 Harewood Road NE; 202-319-4000.

The Boy Detective Fails: A brother attempts to solve the mystery revolving around his sister's death, through Oct. 16, $62-$86. Signature Theatre, 4200 Campbell Ave., Arlington; 703-820-9771, 703-573-7328, Signature-theatre.org.

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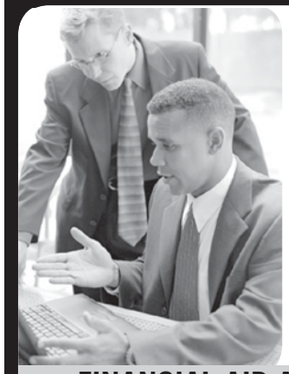

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Repo Shame

The doorbell rings at the home of a deadbeat who's behind on car payments. The soon-to-be-ex-owner opens up and sees the vehicle in question hooked to a tow truck. But the doorbell ringer is no mere repo man. He's a host of "Repo Games" (which stars both Josh Lewis, left, and and Tom DeTone, and airs on Spike TV at 11:30 p.m. Tuesdays), and he has a proposal: Answer three of five trivia questions correctly and the vehicle is "paid off, free and clear."

By Marc Silver

This is a game show for our hard times: No studio audience, just a hapless soul standing on a front lawn, crying, "What you think, everybody's made out of money?" — and hoping not for a windfall of cash but to hold onto precious transport.

Questions are posed. Answers are given. Often, they are wrong. The closest star to Earth is not the moon. "Muenster" is not the name of an energy drink. Roughly half the contestants triumph. The losers lose their wheels yet are sometimes so thrilled by their 15 minutes of fame that they hug the host as their chariot is towed away. The series, whose first season ends Sept. 13, was just renewed — proof that on TV, nothing succeeds like distress.

@ Comments? Give Marc your feedback: **expressnightout.com/muse**

Mildly Aged Peppers

The rock radio kings tackle maturity and morality on their new disc, 'I'm With You'

Album Review

Having spent their last few albums belatedly dealing with the business of growing up, the Red Hot Chili Peppers confront middle age (their own) and mortality (other people's) on their new disc, "I'm With You."

Better known for wearing socks on their privates than for being deep thinkers, the Peppers don't actually have much to say about death, though they appear to be against it. Produced by Rick Rubin, "I'm With You" is the band's first release since 2006's benevolently bloated two-disc set, "Stadium Arcadium." It's part beach blanket rave-up, part serious-minded examination of loss: of youth, of innocence and, implicitly, of guitarist John Frusciante, the primary driver of their funk-meets-pop-meets-sledgehammer sound, who left the band before the album was recorded.

I'm With You
Red Hot Chili Peppers

Frusciante's replacement, Josh Klinghoffer, is subtler and less obtrusive than his predecessor. Without Frusciante's spiky, squalling guitar, "I'm With You" is milder and less emphatic than past Peppers discs, and more experimental.

ELLEN VON UNWERTH

New Red Hot Chili Peppers guitarist Josh Klinghoffer, far right, joins Flea, Chad Smith and Anthony Kiedis for "I'm With You."

For all their increasing virtuosity, the Peppers have always had limitations — their lyrics are a dadaist nightmare of new age Deep Thoughts, knotty triple-entendres and received surfer wisdom, and frontman Anthony Kiedis's vocals, well, they're not for everyone. Also, all Red Hot Chili Peppers albums sound like they were made in 1989. When, on the bleating, cowbell-centric first single, "The Adventures of Rain Dance Maggie," Kiedis sings, "I want to rock you like the Eighties," he's not being nostalgic, he's just letting you know.

"I'm With You" mostly belongs to Flea, the jack of all trades bassist who can do anything, and does, often: The otherwise minor "Police Station" is scaled to arena rock heights courtesy of his bass; "Happiness Loves Company" offers an unlikely, but not unwelcome, boogie-woogie piano riff.

"I'm With You" may not deliver an "Under the Bridge" or "Suck My Kiss," but there's a certain innate outsize-ness to the Peppers that makes their most torpid piano ballad sound like a stadium singalong circa 1992. The Peppers are still big. It's the hooks that got smaller.

ALLISON STEWART (THE WASHINGTON POST)

Backstory

Extra Credit

Flea kept busy during his time between Red Hot Chili Peppers albums by enrolling in classes at the University of Southern California's Thornton School of Music. "He would call me two or three times in an afternoon" with questions, Flea's theory instructor, Neal Desby, recently told Rolling Stone. "He was very serious, and the other students could see that." (EXPRESS)

Do Not Adjust Your Newspaper: Jack White, left, the slightly offbeat but brilliant mind behind the White Stripes, has teamed up with the Insane Clown Posse to cover a Mozart song. Taking the classical composer's "Leck Mich Im Arsch," the Juggalo rappers lay down a "poignant lyrical addition in English" over the melody and some guitar riffs, according to a press release. One sample lyric: "Mozart was dope for the most part." (TWP)

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A Familiar 'Beat'

David Guetta plays it safe on his new set of poppy dance tracks

Album Review

David Guetta's new album "Nothing but the Beat" presents the Grammy-winning DJ and producer with a formidable task. Take good music from good artists and infuse it with a dance club floor-filling frenzy. If there's anyone who can do it, surely it's the urban dance-track maestro who collaborates with A-list artists. Right?

Well, half-right. On "Nothing but the Beat," Guetta accomplishes the main mission, but it's nothing to run out and buy a new pair of dancing shoes for. This is a fairly routine treatment at best, and Guetta doesn't inject enough of his own style to take the music to a level that the list of featured vocalists couldn't do on their own.

Guetta gets things started in fine fashion, adding some of his signature energy to "Where Them Girls At," with sharp vocals from Flo Rida and white-hot Nicki Minaj. The good stuff continues through "Little Bad Girl," with solid feature work from Ludacris and Taio Cruz.

But then things begin to get pretty pedestrian. "Sweat" with Snoop Dogg is a snoozer, and "Without You," featuring Usher, never delivers much more than soaring synth track. The latter song is about as edgy as a Kia Sorento commercial for soccer moms.

Guetta is on auto-pilot these days. He's on top of his game, but his game seems to be delivering safe club music to the masses. There's nothing daring in his approach to production and remixing, and as a result, he's failed a bit.

RON HARRIS (AP)

GETTY IMAGES

French DJ David Guetta, above, teams with Flo Rida and Nicki Minaj on his new disc.

Nothing But the Beat
David Guetta

Pelecanos' Spero Plays Both Sides

Book Review

Sometimes, what seems like an overused idea can turn into something special in the hands of a master.

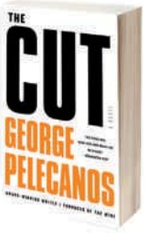
Pelecanos

George Pelecanos has proved that with "The Cut," the first book in his new series featuring Spero Lucas, a 29-year-old Iraq war veteran who returns to his native Washington, D.C., to straddle both sides of the law.

Spero is tough and courageous, and he has a big heart, but like many veterans, he's having trouble figuring out how to find a place in civilian life. He's working as an investigator for a Washington criminal lawyer, but he also freelances, recovering stolen property for anyone who agrees to pay.

One who does is Antwan Hawkins, a jailed, big-time drug dealer who is still running his illegal business from behind prison walls. Hawkins has packages of marijuana shipped to houses of people who are on vacation or away on business. A few of his cronies drop by the houses on the days of delivery and snatch the packages from the front steps.

It was working fine until someone else caught on and swiped a couple of valuable packages. So Hawkins hires Spero to steal them back.



The story is beautifully told in the lean, muscular prose style Pelecanos is renowned for.

In recent years, Pelecanos has written mostly stand-alone crime novels, each with a unique protagonist, but the author says he's not done exploring the possibilities of this new character.

Readers are sure to be eager for the next Spero Lucas adventure.

BRUCE DESILVA (AP)

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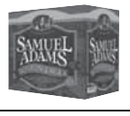

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History

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Ellerbee has her work cut out for her. In the program's opening minutes, earnest-looking youths describe the events and get all of their facts wrong

It's interesting to note that Ellerbee's program, created to teach history, is being broadcast on a children's entertainment network. Meanwhile, the History Channel dedicates its prime time tonight to three hours of "Ancient Aliens" (8 p.m.).

Airing programs about aliens and calling it "history" is beyond idiotic. It leads to the cheapening of the idea of a common history, and it contributes to the problems Ellerbee faces when confronting a roomful of young people confused by rumor and disinformation.

KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNIVERSAL UCLICK)

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ABC 10:00 **Rookie Blue** Andy and Traci (Enuka Okuma, shown) encounter a challenge and a dilemma while on an undercover training exercise with Dov. Later, Dov goes on a ride-along with a drug dealer who was friends with his late brother.

A&E 10:00 **Beyond Scared Straight** Angela talks back — loudly — to a verbally abusive inmate at the county jail. Brian insults a prisoner who pulls him into his cell. One of the teens gets a surprise visit from the sheriff's deputies, who send him back to the jail for a day of hard labor.

USA 10:00 **Suits** Harvey's former mentor, district attorney Cameron Dennis (guest star Gary Cole), seeks his help when his office becomes the target of an investigation. Mike and Louis try to mediate a dispute between a mogul's daughters over their father's estate. (TRIBUNE MEDIA)

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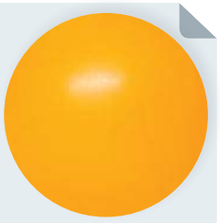

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Horoscope

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You're not likely to win every point, but you can certainly challenge the competition every step of the way. Bring your "A" game.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) You'll be answering questions for others throughout much of the day. Don't ignore those you have to ask.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) You can get yourself out of an awkward situation merely by trusting your instincts and treating the other party with respect.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) You'll understand why someone close to you is doing what he or she is doing, but that doesn't mean you agree with it.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You'll stumble upon a rare opportunity, and the only thing holding you back will be your own insecurity. It's a good time to be brave.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You may be unclear about what is required of you on the economic front. You claim to be doing all you can — but is it true?

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) You may not be able to have exactly what you want at every turn, but the day can prove profitable in ways you had not anticipated.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Be prepared to make decisions, for you are the only one in a position to know what is really going on and how to deal with it.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Guard against doing or saying anything that might be considered self-serving. Toward nightfall, a surprise awaits you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) It'll take more than a simple "yes" or "no" to satisfy those who are asking questions of you. Be ready to explain fully.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You may feel as though you are being expected to do exactly what you have done in the past — but it's results that count, not your methods.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Someone has made a mess of things at the workplace, and you may find that you are the only person who really understands what must now be done.

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Scrabble Grams

PAR SCORE 195-205, BEST SCORE 259

								RACK 1
A1	O1	O1	U1	M3	S1	R1		
								RACK 2
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								RACK 4
A1	E1	N1	N1	T1	M3	R1	3rd Letter Triple	

Yesterday's Solution

S1	U1	N1	D2	O1	W4	N1	RACK 1 =	83
T1	O1	P3	M3	O1	S1	T1	RACK 2 =	62
E1	P3	I1	L1	O1	G2		RACK 3 =	9
S1	U1	R1	G2	E1	R1	Y4	RACK 4 =	61
PAR SCORE 140-150							TOTAL	215

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8		4						

Yesterday's Solution

5	7	4	9	3	8	6	2	1
1	6	8	5	7	2	3	4	9
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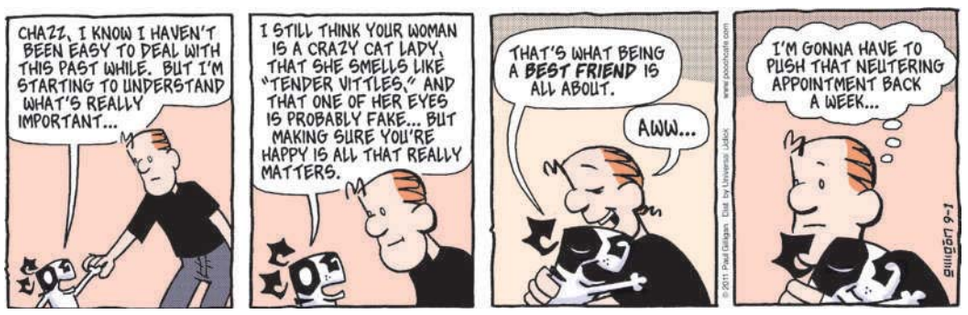

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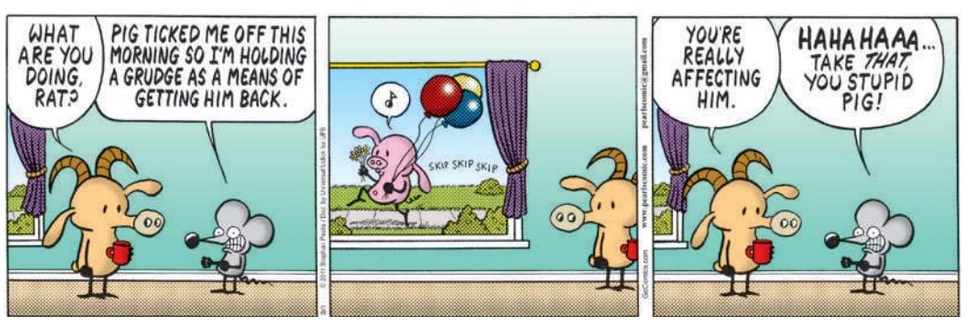

Forecast

86 | 66

Today: Partly sunny today. Partly cloudy tonight.

86 | 69

Tomorrow: More humid tomorrow with clouds and sun. Partly cloudy tomorrow night.

Looking Ahead

SAT	SUN	MON
89 | 72	90 | 72	83 | 65

Sun and Moon
Sunrise today: 6:37 a.m.
Sunset today: 7:39 p.m.
Moonrise today: 10:51 a.m.
Moonset today: 9:32 p.m.

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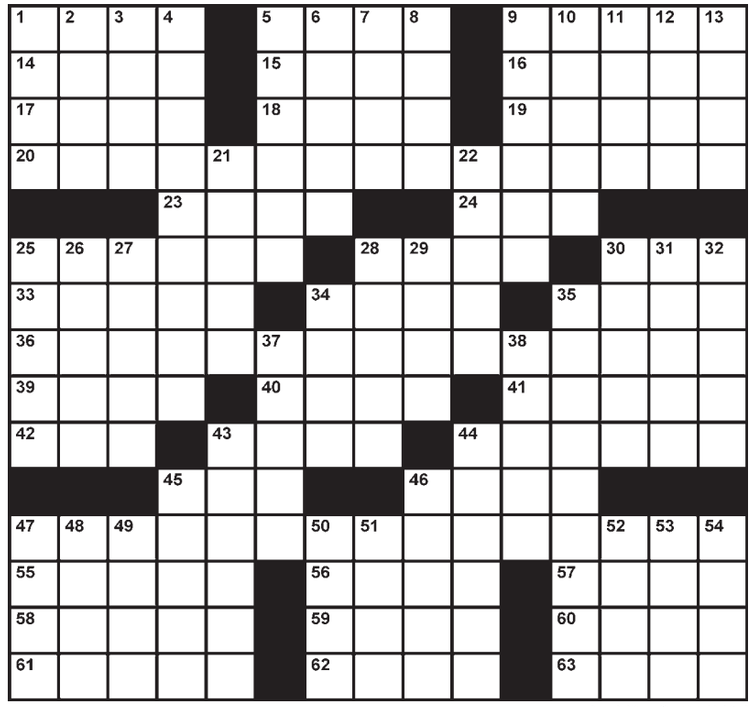

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ACROSS

1 Box office earnings
5 Musician's engagements
9 Not the least bit fresh
14 Financial page acronym
15 Diva's show-stopper
16 Take into one's family
17 Handed-down knowledge
18 Drum specialty
19 In great shape, as muscles
20 Grant's horse's team?
23 Deuterium discoverer Harold
24 Easy as ___
25 Babble
28 Custard dessert
30 Sawbones' gp.
33 "Encore!"
34 One past twelve?
35 Penultimate word in a fairy tale
36 Lone ranger's horse's banner?
39 Shaving cream ingredient
40 Breakfast grains
41 Flight attendant's beat
42 Cariou or Berman
43 "For ___!" ("Absolutely!")
44 Glove's cousin
45 Snoopy, in his daydreams
46 Composer Schifrin
47 John Tyler's horse's reign?
55 Joe Flacco, for one
56 Political campaign ammunition
57 Tennessee's flower
58 Subject of media coverage
59 Blade runner
60 Piles up birthdays
61 Superman's folks
62 Welfare state?
63 Deliverer of much political humor

DOWN

1 Bathroom sprinkle
2 "Mine," in Marseilles
3 Distance letters
4 Corporate bigwig
5 "Maverick" star
6 Device of the wryly humorous
7 River to the Colorado
8 Ice melter
9 Drives home
10 Revere
11 Number of hits in a perfect game
12 Made a mockery of?
13 Some used Fords
21 Title role for Renee Zellweger
22 Bucky Beaver's toothpaste
25 ___ decongestant
26 Quick like a cat
27 Branch grabber
28 "Twelfth Night" clown
29 "I'm game!"
30 Warning to landlubbers
31 First name in cosmetics
32 "As You Like It" forest
34 Old ruler
35 Opinion column
37 Where Joan of Arc perished
38 Carpenter's need
43 Hounds' leads
44 Sweet shoppe treat
45 Scully or Bond, e.g.
46 Generous, as portions
47 Long day's journey
48 Fortunate fellow
49 Exactly divisible by two
50 Ancient garden spot
51 Go biking
52 Prompt
53 Banker's protection
54 ExxonMobil brand

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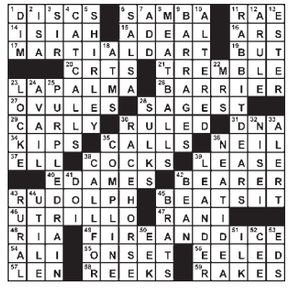

Today in History

1939 World War II begins as Nazi Germany invades Poland.

1972 American Bobby Fischer wins the international chess crown in Reykjavik, Iceland, as Boris Spassky of the Soviet Union resigns before the resumption of game 21.

1995 A ribbon-cutting ceremony is held for the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum in Cleveland.

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TASTE OF VICTORY

'I'm Unhealthy!' 'No, I'M Unhealthy!' 'No, Me!' 'No, ME!'

LeAnn Rimes raged at Guiliana Rancic via Twitter after the latter said in an interview that Rimes "seems a little thin right now." "Hey, we should go to dinner sometime. You get criticized all the time for how small you are. You can see just HOW much I eat and maybe put a stop to this crazy 'shrinking' once and for all..... oh, & then we should workout together!" Later, she tweeted, "I really would love for her to hang with me." (EXPRESS)

FATHERHOOD

'All the Other Man-Children Were Doing It, So Why Not?'

Robert Downey Jr. and his wife, Susan, are expecting their first child together, a representative for the 46-year-old actor confirmed Wednesday to People.com. The baby is due early next year. The couple were married in 2005. They met on the set of the film "Gothika," which Susan co-produced. Downey has a teenage son, Indio, with ex-wife Deborah Falconer. (AP)

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"Come closer so I can regurgitate your dinner for you," Susan whispered.

TELEVISION

Footage of T.I.'s Life to Be Edited Together to Look More Dramatic Than Yours

T.I. was released Wednesday one month early from a federal prison, and he already has deal for a VH1 reality series. "Viewers have always connected with T.I., and we are definitely thrilled to show the next chapter of this incredible artist's riveting life," VH1 said in a statement. (EXPRESS)

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Race car driver Danica Patrick gently scolded the careless Justinbot.

DISASTER RECOVERY

A Little Polish and It'll Be Fine. The Car, Too.

Justin Bieber and his Ferrari are both fine after a fender-bender in Los Angeles. Police said the 17-year-old singer was involved in "a very minor collision" Tuesday afternoon. No one was injured or cited, and no police report was taken. There was no visible damage to Bieber's car or the Honda Civic involved in the crash. Bieber recently won a Video Music Award for his song "U Smile." (AP)

You've Got Mel!

Contents of Melbox Are Disappointing

Mel Gibson will pay $750,000 to ex-girlfriend Oksana Grigorieva and continue to provide housing and financial support for their daughter. The settlement, disclosed Wednesday, means the child will receive support equal to what Gibson provides for his other seven children. The former couple will split custody of the girl, who turns 2 in October. (AP)

"She hopes in the future that Mr. Gibson's career will move on, and so, too, will hers."

—**OKSANA GRIGORIEVA**'S LAWYER SAID, ON HIS CLIENT'S BEHALF, THAT SHE HAS ONE CD OUT NOW, ANOTHER ON THE WAY, AND SOMETHING ABOUT JOSH GROBAN.

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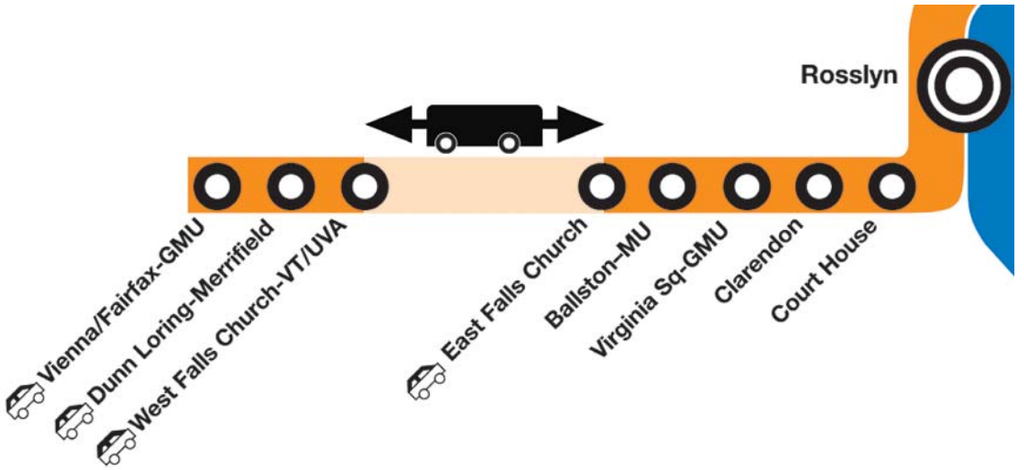

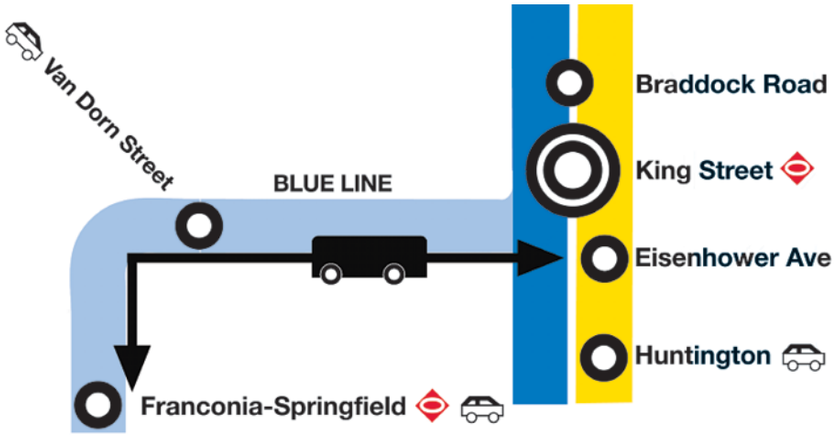

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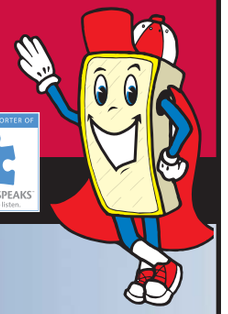

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Charlottesville	434-973-3222	304 Connor Drive, next to Target & Bonefish
Charlottesville	434-975-1171	1646 Seminole Trail, across from Fashion Square Mall
Charlottesville	434-964-1300	1500 Seminole Trail, next to Starbucks, across Fash. Sq Mall
Charles Town	304-725-1791	116 Flowing Springs Rd, across from Hollywood Casino
Clinton	301-856-8573	8847 Woodyard Rd, between Giant & Sears
Columbia	410-309-9655	9400 Snowden River Pkwy, Columbia Marketplace
Columbia	410-964-0749	6110 Dobbin Road, next to new Toys-R-Us & REI
Crofton	410-451-9544	2612 Brandermill Blvd, Village of Waugh Chapel
Culpeper	540-829-7891	15131 Montanus Drive, behind Chili's next to Lowe's
Dumfries	703-445-9877	3966 Fettler Park Dr, at Rt.234 next to Ihop
Dunkirk	410-257-0316	10730 Town Center Blvd, next to Wal-Mart
Easton	410-822-7742	8058 Ocean Gateway, next to Wawa
Edgewater	410-956-3062	3059 Solomons Island Rd, next to 5 Guys & Starbucks
Fairfax	703-383-0152	11002 Lee Hgwy, next to new Walgreens
Fairfax Turnpike	703-426-2600	9502 Main St, Turnpike Shopping Center
Frederick Outlet	301-682-8882	7315 Grove Road, facing I-270
Frederick	301-846-9741	1046 W. Patrick Street, next to Starbucks, Kinkos
Fredericksburg	540-785-1673	1240 Carl D. Silver Parkway, in front of Target
Fredericksburg	540-710-7525	10119 Jefferson Davis Hgwy, next to Red Robin
Fredericksburg	540-548-0445	5723 W.Plank Road, between Home Depot & Giant
Front Royal	540-636-7800	50 Riverton Commons, next to Wal-Mart
Gainesville	703-753-0789	5131 Wellington Rd, next to Buffalo Wild Wings
Gaithersburg	301-869-9727	451 N. Frederick Ave, across from Mont. Square
Gaithersburg	301-355-7240	178 Kentlands Boulevard, next to Bally's Fitness
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Greenbelt	301-220-0374	5506 Cherrywood Lane, next to Atlanta Bread
Hagerstown	301-766-0740	18011 Garland Groh Boulevard, next to Best Buy
Hagerstown	301-582-3766	17301 Valley Mall Road, next to Toys-R-Us
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Rockville	301-230-2337	12127 Rockville Pk, next to Office Depot, Pike Ctr
Seven Corners	703-237-2277	6381 Seven Corners Ctr, in front of Shopper's
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Springfield	703-866-7066	8414 Old Keene Mill Rd, next to Whole Foods
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